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WAR WORK BEING PUSHED RAPIDLY

PRESIDENT AND AIDS CULLING UNDESIRABLE PARTS FROM THE BIG WAR MACHINE

TREMENDOUS RESULTS DESPITE OBSTACLES

Mistakes Developed by the Committee Hearings Are Being Remedied—Assurance That U-Boat Menace Soon to Be Overcome

(By W. C. Van Cleve)

Washington, Feb. 10.—The flurry of excitement caused in political circles by the break between President Wilson and Senator Chamberlain has about died away and the governmental operations are going ahead in a normal way. The prominence of Senator Chamberlain, who has acted for a year past as the administration spokesman on military matters in the senate, and his sweeping declarations as to war preparations, naturally gave to the incident more than ordinary attention. This was augmented by the sharpness of the president's retort and his unqualified contradiction of the senator's assertions.

Senator Chamberlain was invited to speak before a distinguished body in the city of New York, and did so. During that speech, apparently swept on by the enthusiasm of the occasion, he allowed his oratory to overcome ordinary discretion and made sweeping statements which should have been materially curtailed and qualified. It was an unfortunate and ill-advised hour that brought forth language that could not be substantiated.

The amazement at his sweeping declarations was followed by the hardly less surprising answer of the president. The gravity of the situation was pronounced and the president, for the first time during his administration, cast aside his usual dignity and poise and laid the foundation for an Ananias club.

While the incident was annoying and regrettable, good will, no doubt, come of it. The facts are these: No country has ever accomplished so much in the way of war preparation in so short a time. As pointed out in these columns before, it was a tremendous undertaking, and tremendous results have been accomplished. In the rapid accumulation and organization of such a great war machine there have necessarily been mistakes made. Most of them have been errors of judgment, but there has been a certain amount of profiteering, and it is no discredit to the administration that such has been the case. These facts have been developed in the hearing held by the committees on military affairs and their publication is the surest guarantee of their correction. While these objectionable incidents were of small importance in comparison with the excellence of the work as a whole, their publication served to center criticism upon the secretary of war. Sec-

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ARE DOING EFFICIENT WORK

Rural Schools in Vitalized Agriculture Are Being Visited This Week by Miss Markley

The five rural schools in Nodaway county that have been doing work in vitalized agriculture, the new plan proposed and developed by P. G. Holden, are doing most efficient work, according to Miss Markley, assistant to Mr. Holden, who is here this week to check up their progress. Miss Markley finds that the pupils take a lively interest in the plan and are unusually efficient in demonstrating what they have learned. Rain today prevented a visit to Mt. Pleasant school. However she will remain for the balance of the week to finish the work.

Miss Markley was instructor in Ames College when Prof. Holden taught there and for two years has been associated with him in his agriculture extension and development work for the International Harvester company.

PAY MORE FOR JITNEY RIDES

Drivers Agree to Increase the Price From Ten to Fifteen Cents — Four Stations Here Now

Along with other kinds of "less" days some of us will be forced to get along with "jitney-less" days. The price of rides has gone up. Instead of paying a dime to go from one part of the city to another, or from the depot to the residence section, you must hand over fifteen cents.

Notice of the raise in jitney rates is made by all the drivers doing business and the increasing cost of repairs, tires, gasoline and oil is given as the reason.

Within the past month two stations have quit business, Fred Diss and Art Harmon at the old Knox garage. There are now four jitney stations, Moberly's, Pearl Taylor, Lon Fordyce and Scott.

SECONDDRAFT IN MAY ORJUNE

Next Call Will Not Be Made For Some Time, Chairman Dent of Military Committee Says

Washington, Feb. 14.—The second draft call probably will not be made before May or June, Representative Flood stated on the floor of the House yesterday afternoon. Chairman Dent of the military committee confirms Flood's statement, saying he had information from the war department that the call will not be made for "some time."

JUDGE DEBATING CONTESTS

Public School and Normal Teachers Go to Maitland and Barnard

County Superintendent Bert Cooper and Prof. S. E. Davis of the Normal will go to Maitland tomorrow evening to act as judges in a debate between the pupils of the Maitland and Burlington Junction schools. Superintendent McDonald of the city schools and Prof. Harry Miller of the Normal will go to Barnard to act in like capacity in a debate between the pupils of the Barnard and Guilford schools.

ARTILLERY DUELS AT CAMBRAI.

London, Feb. 14. — Only artillery duels on the north front and south of Cambrai, it was reported today.

BAND MAY NOT COME

COST TO BRING ORGANIZATION HERE WOULD BE $1,000

NO DECISION REACHED

With Maryville's Share of Cost Placed at $600 It Is Believed That the Project Will Be Dropped

It is believed that the proposal by the Maryville Commercial Club and the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce to secure the Fourth Regiment band from Camp Doniphan to come for a series of concerts before the regiment is transferred "somewhere" will be dropped following the information as to the cost of bringing the organization to the two cities. It is learned that the cost of transportation alone will reach $1,000, and this together with other expense of feeding the men and incidental expenses would make the cost a considerable item.

Maryville's share of the expenses in connection with the bringing of the band here would be approximately $600, and it is the opinion of many that with the government urging conservation along all lines that to expend that amount for a few hours of pleasure in hearing the band and having the boys at home for a day would be an ill-advised extravagance at this time.

There are twenty-eight men in the band and with a drum major and other aids the number would reach over thirty. The secretary of war has advised that permission would be given to troops and band organizations to visit neighboring cities and towns that the people might see them in parades and concerts.

The Fourth Regiment band is acknowledged one of the crack organizations of the Camp Doniphan regiments. Harold Maulding of Maryville, bandmaster, is one of the youngest men in the service occupying a similar position.

CLASSIFY 148 MEN

BOARD SENDS FINAL STATUS NOTICE TO REGISTRANTS

MAJORITY IN CLASS 4A

Married Men With Dependents Placed In Deferred Class — Will Be Last Called for Service

One hundred and forty-seven registrants have been sent notice of deferred classification for service, which is the equivalent of a temporary discharge. The majority are given deferred classification because of being married and having dependents, being placed in 4A. Physical unfitness has placed several men in class 5G. Dependent relaticves has placed seven in the deferred classification.

Notice of final classification was sent to the following men:

Harry Emerson Noah, Conception Jct., 4A.

Andrew Byrd Lockhart, Parnell, 4A.

James Conklin, Jr., Maryville, 4A.

Jesse V. Linville, Skidmore, 4A.

Wm. Pratt Masters, Maryville, 4A.

Fred Earl Daniels, Barnard, 4A.

Fackler G. Brown, Tonganoxie, Ks., 4A.

Glen Branson Green, Conception Jct.

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FOR SCHMIDT'S JOB

A HUGHES TOWNSHIP DEMOCRAT TO GET ENDORSEMENT

RESIGNATION TO GOV.

Retiring County Court Member Is Pleased With Choice of Leaders and Adds His Endorsement

Judge C. P. Schmidt, member of the county court from the southern district, this morning mailed his resignation to Governor Gardner, following his decision some days ago to remove to Colorado, where he will make his future home. Judge Schmidt withheld his resignation until today in order that leaders in his district might have time to consider any available candidates for the place, and it is learned that a well known resident of Hughes township will have the endorsement of the leaders of both parties and that recommendations have been sent to Governor Gardner asking the appointment. The name of the candidate is requested withheld until Judge Schmidt's resignation is in the hands of the governor.

The man who will receive the endorsement is a Democrat, and to the endorsement of the leaders of the southern district will be added that of Judge Schmidt, who was asked to aid in the selection of a progressive man to serve the unexpired term. It is expected the appointment will be made by Governor Gardner within a few days.

Judge Schmidt expects to leave about the middle of next month for his new home and will, in all probability, not sit at the next term of county court which occurs about that time. He has practically made all preparation for disposing of his property and will announce the date of his sales within a few days.

FORCE PEACE ON AUSTRIA?

Intensive Pressure Is Being Brought to Bear to Compel Negotiations It Is Learned

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14. — Intensive pressure within and without is being brought about to compel Austria to negotiate for peace. The situation within the dual empire is such, officials here said today, that possible steps toward that end will cause no surprise in the near future. Confidential official and diplomatic advices reaching here today from Swiss sources confirmed this view. Officials refused point blank to discuss these dispatches; some even deny knowledge of them. However, it is a known fact that such word was received here and is now in possession of the president and Secretary Lansing.

TO ROAD MEN'S CONVENTION

County Court Judges and Commercial Club Secretary Expect to Attend Highway Engineers' Meeting

Judge W. M. Blackford, presiding judge of the county court, expects to attend the annual meeting of county highway engineers, to be held at Kansas City on February 27-28. Judge Hepburn will, in all probability, also attend. Judge Schmidt had expected to join them, but on account of getting ready to move to Colorado will cancel the appointment.

All county judges in Missouri are urged to attend this convention, to be held at the Muelebach hotel, and in addition to the splendid program arranged by the county highway engineers, the state highway department will conduct illustrated lectures and provide an exhibit of road and bridge models. Men prominent in road construction and maintenance will explain modern and approved methods and general discussions following each number on the program will enable everyone present to ask questions and to have them properly and satisfactorily answered. The complete program of the county highway engineers' meeting will be announced in this paper next week. All county judges, engineers, road overseers and road enthusiasts are urged to attend this convention.

E. M. Claypool, secretary of the Commercial Club, also expects to attend the meeting.

BILL ASKS 1,107 MILLIONS

Largest Urgent Deficiency Measure Ever Presented to Congress Introduced by Committee Chairman

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14. — The largest urgent deficiency bill ever presented to an American congress was introduced in the house this afternoon by the chairman of the appropriations committee. It carries a deficiency appropriation totaling $1,107,220,000. One of the most important appropriations is the one carrying $8,152,000 for the construction of buildings to house the government department in Washington.

Everett Roof of Ravenwood was in Maryville on business today.

THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy and much colder tonight; Friday unsettled and colder.

FOOD CARDS NEXT?

HOOVER SEEKS WAY TO HALT INCREASING FOOD CONSUMPTION

GET STARTLING FACTS

Business Enterprises Owned by Aliens Government Piling Up Huge Profits to Help Germany Win War

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Startling facts connected with the government war activities were revealed here and some striking statements were made by high government officials. Alien property, Custodian Palmer said, in its operation of business enterprises owned by alien governments, is piling up huge profits to be turned over to Germany to end the war. Hoover hinted that food tickets may be issued to compel conservation if no other way is found to halt the increasing food consumption. Secretary of State Lansing said the American dollar is worth seventy-five cents in any European, South American or Oriental country.

LLOYD GEORGE AGAIN VICTOR

British Premier Successfully Weathers Another Political Storm, Following a Two Days' Debate

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

London, Feb. 14.—Premier Lloyd George has successfully weathered another political storm and today emerged victorious from a two days debate over the conduct of the war in the House of Commons. Sensational reports which were current have begun to die down.

Parliamentary correspondent of the Chronicle, in his commentary, said that the rumor that Sir William Robertson would be retired as chief of the British general staff has been pronounced false and he is unable to find any foundation for reports that a cabinet crisis was imminent.

THE BEE HIVE HAS BIRTHDAY

Twenty-three Years Ago Today W. A. Miller Started in Business — 14 Years in Present Location

Twenty-three years ago today W. A. Miller, owner of the Bee Hive shoe store, started in business in Maryville in the building now occupied by Moberly's jitney station. He remained in that building for one year and then moved his store to the building on the north side of the square now occupied by August Stapler. Mr. Miller remained in that building eight years and then moved to his present location on North Main street.

Only five men in Maryville have been in business longer than Mr. Miller. They are: D. R. Eversole, owner of a dry goods store; M. Nusbaum and Clark Weaver, who own clothing stores. Nick Schumacher, owner of a grocery store, and W. H. Hudson, who is in the hardware business.

Mr. Hudson has been in business in Maryville for fifty years, while Mr. Nusbaum started in business February 22, 1873, or forty-five years ago.

Mr. Miller is one of Maryville's most successful merchants, and while he suffered a heavy loss in the fire which swept Maryville two weeks ago, his place of business was only closed a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Morren Forbes left Monday for Polo, Mo., where they will make their home.

Read The First Installment "Over The Top" in This Paper To-Day

Over the Top

By an American Soldier Who *Went*

ARTHUR GUY EMPEY

When the Lusitania was sunk Arthur Guy Empey decided that he could not wait for his country to declare war — so he sailed without orders for England, and enlisted as a Canadian.

He recounts this incident in "OVER THE TOP" in less than five hundred words. In a few thousand more words he completes his experiences in England — and after that he is in France — for the greater part of the eighteen months before he was invalided home, in the "Front Line Trenches."

"OVER THE TOP" is the first story by one of the American soldiers who went to France, has been a real combatant and has seen long service in the trenches.

Sergeant Empey tells what it actually means and feels like:

to be wounded seven times;
to live for a year and a half with mud and rats and shells;
to be covered with "cooties" and never to get rid of them;
to go "over the top" in a charge;
to grasp for your gas helmet when a second's delay mean's death;
to capture a Prussian;
to get tangled up in barb-wire with that machine gun working a few yards away;
to lie for thirty-six hours wounded and unconscious in "No Man's Land."

For a year and a half, until he fell wounded in "No Man's Land" this American soldier saw more actual fighting and real warfare than any war correspondent who has written about the war. His experiences are grim, but they are thrilling, and lightened by a touch of humor as original as the Soldiers Three. And they are True.

The Greatest War Story Ever Written

We take pleasure in announcing that we have secured serial rights to this remarkable story and that it will appear in installments

IN THIS NEWSPAPER ***It Is the Real Stuff!***

Basket Ball——

Kansas City Polytechnic Institute vs. State Normal School

Friday, February 15, 8:15 p. m.

Normal Gymnasium

Kansas City Polytechnic Institute defeated our team at Kansas City by a score of 24 to 26. This promises to be a close and interesting game

Admission 50 cents

NOTICE——

All Sir Knights of Maryville Commandery No. 40 K. T. are hereby notified that a regular conclave of said commandery will be held at Oddfellows hall, MONDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 18, at 7:30 p. m.

Attest: U. S. WRIGHT, Recorder

By Order of F. C. WALLIS, Commander

Basket Ball——

MARYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL vs. BENTON OF ST. JOSEPH

Thursday, Feb. 14, 7:30 p.m.

At Normal Gymnasium

Admission 25 cents

Feature Tonight

Empire Theatre

Show begins at 7:30

11 and 17 cents

Paramount Pictures, with

FANNIE WARD

The Emotional Actress, in

The Crystal Gazer

Methods of Fake Hypnotism.

Tomorrow, "THE TENTH CASE."

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DOUGHNUTS MUST GO, TOO

The Food Administration Thoroughly Disapproves of Them—Take Too Much Fat

Has the death knell of the doughnut been sounded? We hear strange rumors from Washington to the effect that the good old New England invention has won the hearty disapproval of the food administration and that a ban is about to be placed on its production.

The addition of sugar or fats to the dough in making bread or rolls, during the baking or afterwards, has already been condemned by the bakers, and so we take it that the bun goes into the limbo of fond recollections until after the war. There are various other sweetened breads with which we have to dispense, so far as the pubilc bakeries are concerned. The call for the conservation of sugar and fats is becoming particularly strenuous. Personally, we shall not mind the absence of the bun, but the doughnut seems like an old friend. The anti-doughnut move is a severe blow. No doubt it is inspired by patriotic motives rather than prejudice, but the doughnut is a simple and a harmless thing, after all, and it is to be feared than counsel for the defense if such there were in the judicial deliberations, failed to plead its case adequately.

Doughnuts, it has been claimed, soak up fat which we do not need. True, more's the pity, in the case of too many doughnuts. But when properly made and expertly fried the amount of fat they soak up is negligible. The process calls for a generous amount of fat, to be sure, but it should not represent much waste. Doughnut fat, as we understand it, can be used over and over again. But if the experts have spoken we suppose there is no help for it. A good many of the comfortable little things seem to be going out of our lives. Competent authority has denounced pie for breakfast, and now we are confronted by the doughnutless breakfast.

Young Women Awaiting The Great Crisis

Of all the vital times in life, the birth of a baby is the climax of nature's most wonderful evolution. After a period of anxious waiting, the hour arrives for the advent of a new life. Nature must be aided during this waiting period if the pain and danger of the crisis is to be avoided.

Three generations have found great relief from the many discomforts of approaching motherhood, by the safe, time-honored massage, "Mother's Friend".

It gently softens every fibre, cord, tendon and ligament. The drawn skin becomes soft and elastic. Tension and strain upon the expanding abdominal muscles is relieved when baby arrives; morning sickness or nausea usually is not felt and the crisis is passed with infinitely less pain and danger.

"Mother's Friend" has been used by expectant mothers with the greatest success for over forty years.

Get a bottle from the druggist today and write the Bradfield Regulator Co., Dept. E, 200 Lamar Building, Atlanta, Ga., for a valuable book brimful of useful information. The book will be mailed to you without charge. Do not by any means neglect to begin the use of "Mother's Friend"; the preparation is undoubtedly a real and wonderful aid to nature in her work.

Eyes Tested Free
Glasses Fitted

We Guarantee Satisfaction.

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JEWELER AND OPTICIAN
110 W. 3RD ST. JUST A STEP PAST MAIN
MARYVILLE, MO.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

Following is a list of the letters remaining unclaimed in the Maryville Mo., postoffice for the week ending Wednesday, February 13, 1918.

Men.

Johnston, Sam
Lawson, Jno. B.
Matthews, Henry

Women.

Anderson, Miss Helen
Berry, Miss Agnes and Dude
Carpenter, Mrs. Ida
Nicholson, Mrs. Mildred

Persons calling for the above named letters will please say "advertised." Respectfully,

JAMES TODD, Postmaster.

Hopkins Boy In France.

Leland Walters, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Walters, formerly of Hopkins, and who will be remembered as "Doc" by his boy chums, is now an aide to General Pershing in France and is credited with being one of the best gunners in the service. Before going to France he was in several skirmishes during the Mexican trouble and acquitted himself with great honor. He is 22 years old.—Hopkins Journal.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

TO-DAY

Editorial Notes by Arthur Brisbane

When Dr. Garfield talks to a group of American business men, as he does every day, they go away realizing that a first class business man has been talking to them. He is very quiet, patient, asks for criticism, insists that it shall be CONSTRUCTIVE and furnish some details and suggestions for improvement.

The doctor, it is true, has a rather high brow. But the works back of it have developed coal mines, built roads, factories, office buildings, operated and made successful a big water works enterprise and constructed on a solid foundation one of the country's successful trust companies.

It is just as well to know these facts before you criticise Woodrow Wilson for putting the coal problem "in the hands of a theorist who knows nothing about coal or business problems."

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You may have to wait awhile, or you may learn that the spreading of the Austrian and Prussian agitation in Germany has made waiting unnecessary.

The important thing is to make it clear that the United States means what the president has said, namely, that this country wants the right kind of a peace, will not accept the wrong kind, and, regardless of what others will do, will fight on until the right peace is forthcoming. Make Prussia know that and the peace dove will come bobbing in, bedraggled, but alive.

All through the war Spain has acted like an old lady crossing the street, doubtful whether to let the automobile go ahead of her or run over her.

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The chief murderers in Prussia are as well pleased with their work as ever—but the little men sent out to do the killing are getting tired of it. Scheidemann is doing some plain talking that must make the well-preserved, well-fed and entirely unwounded seven Hohenzollerns — one father and six sons—do considerable worrying.

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Suggestions to Mr. Hoover, governors of states, mayors of cities:

You know that war demands more than the entire supply of ammonia.

Ammonia is essential in refrigerating processes and in making artificial ice.

There is no excuse this winter for failure to harvest a gigantic ice crop.

Old barns, buildings of all kinds, at slight expense, can be made into fairly good ice houses.

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War is picturesque as well as horrible.

What would Jules Verne have said in Paris the other night when German airships attacked the great city?

There came the noise of dynamite from the sky. Alarms were sounded all over the city, then in the air above began bursting the "star shells," magnificent fireworks sent up by the French to light the air and reveal the attacking Germans.

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Everything looks like it, and as we have occasionally said, PEACE IS COMING.

Prussia is repeating the experiment of the man who tried to keep his horse working without hay. The horse died.

The Prussian doesn't quite die; to his credit be it said, he rebels. A million Germans have stopped work, tired of being half fed.

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Hamburg in a state of seige.

Hindenburg threatening to shoot down German workers—and some of them shot already.

Russia with no food to send to Germany.

South Germany showing the old hatred of Prussia—now that the "will to victory" fever is subsiding.

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All good signs, Peace signs.

As a guarantee of good faith, a million and a half Americans at least will go to Europe and go into the fight at the front. Twenty-five thousand of their brothers in the air, dropping bombs on munition plants, will make horribleness unpopular, and much trench fighting unnecessary. The way to kill a rattlesnake is without touching him.

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A good deal of the milk in the German cocoanut is contained in this statement by Scheidemann, German Socialist leader, to the Reichstag:

"Suppose the army conquered France and England, would that mean peace? I say no, for we would still have to conquer America."

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The Austrians are getting tired of starving for the glory and convenience of Prussia. Austria may soon give a good imitation of Russia. The Hapsburgs have all the disadvantages of the Hohenzollerns with the additional disadvantage of being lazy and incompetent.

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"The culminating crisis of the struggle has come. The achievements of THIS YEAR MUST DETERMINE THE ISSUE."—Woodrow Wilson to the farmers.

This means that the president believes the war will be won THIS YEAR.

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"Pan-Germans" are describing the kaiser as Judas and "Hangman," urging revolt.

Hatred, bottled up in the German people, will surprise the kaiser and the world when it breaks.

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Death falling from the sky, courage flying up to meet it, and heaven and the earth lighted with the glare of artificial bursting stars.

Is that romantic enough to suit you?

—o—

Training millions of men in efficient "horribleness" works well while those qualities turn against Belgian women and children.

A different story when horribleness turns on the imperial palace.

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The Cro Magnon, Brachycephalic candidate, in his visit to Washington, reminds you of a little boy that rings the doorbell and runs before anyone can get to the door.

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The kaiser will know how Louis XVI felt when he appeared, white and trembling, on the balcony of the palace before the growling crowd, wearing the tri-color, trying, too late, to placate the people.

TOWNSEND'S

North Side -:- Cash Grocer

The Habit is Growing

Stopping in at this store to buy your foods is a mighty good habit to get into—the money you save makes it real interesting

On Friday You Can Buy

Fresh country butter, per lb	40c
2 lbs for	75c
Good clean cooking butter, per lb	32c
Small sweet oranges, dozen	25c
Fresh lettuce, per lb	30c
Fancy Jonathan apples, pk	60c
Libby's Hanover sour kraut, gal	25c
Calif. Lima beans, 3 lbs	50c
Rio Roasted Coffee, 20c kind, lb	15c
6lb net weight pails lake fish	$1.00
8lb net weight pails lake fish	$1.15
Spiced Rolled Herring, 2 for	15c
Russian Sardines, 6 for	25c
Imperial codfish (boneless) per bx	30c
B. & M. fish flakes, best of all cod fish, can	15c
No. 80's grape fruit, 2 for	15c
No. 46's grape fruit, each	10c
Troco, substitute for butter, lb	35c
Macaroni or Spaghetti, 3 pkgs	25c
Jack Frost buckwheat, per ukg	12½c
Best 8c matches, per box	5c
5c sacks table salt, 5 for	15c
10c shoe blacking, tan or black	5c
New Calif. prunes, per lb	10c
Extra large meaty prunes, per lb	15c
Fancy evap. apricots, per lb	25c
Choice quality apricots, per lb	20c
Extra No. 1 genuine white fish (large) per lb	20c
No 1 can Alaska Pink Salmon	18c
No. 2 cans red beans	10c
No. 2 size cans tomatoes	9c
Good quality Calif. evaporated peaches per lb	10c
Thompson's seedless raisins, large pkgs	15c
Alber's Wheat Flakes, per pkg	20c
Fresh parsnips and carrots, 7 lbs	25c
Runkle's Chocolate, No. 1, large cake	20c
100 lb sacks crushed shell	80c
Best bulk cocoa, per lb	30c
High grade peanut butter, per lb	25c
100 lb sacks oyster shells	90c
Best quality western sugar corn, can	11c
Pure sorghum, gal pails	90c
halves 45c; cans	20c
4 lbs large Spanish onions	25c
Empson's Colorado string beans, per can	15c
6 bars Bob White laundry soap	25c
Log Cabin Maple and Cane Syrup, 25c, 50 and $1.00 can for	22c, 43c and 85c
Large red Globe onions, bu	$1.40
peck	40c
Pettyjohn's Calif. wheat flakes with bran, pkg	20c
Health Club baking powder, 25c cans for	18c
15c cans for	12c
Santos Peaberry Roasted Coffee, lb	25c; 4½ lbs $1.00
1 lb cans Crystal baking powder	10c
80c Eng. Breakfast Tea, per ½ lb	27c
Dr. Price's Drinkit, per tin	22c
Lipton's Yellow Label Tea, per can	10c, 22c, 40c and 70c

Townsend's

U. S. Food License Number G 06758

FIND TAX SLACKERS

DISAPPOINTING RETURNS FROM SOME MISSOURI COUNTIES

POLITICS PLAY A PART

Regardless of Returns All Property Will Be Assessed Same Basis, Says Chairman of State Commission

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 13.—Chairman Cornelius Roach of the State Tax Commission looks for disappointing tax returns from a number of Missouri counties. He made up a list of counties which he says are "slackers" in assessments under the new tax laws.

The counties listed are: Jackson, including Kansas City, Buchanan, including St. Joseph, Jasper, Marion and Monroe counties. Disappointing returns from St. Louis, also are expected.

"Regardless of the returns made by assessors who have political ambitions," said Mr. Roach, "all property in the state will be assessed on the same basis by the Tax Commission."

Reports from nearly all the 114 counties in the state now in the hands of the commission show that the assessments in rural Missouri have been increased from 200 to 300 per cent except in the "slacker" counties.

The Jackson county assessment is $292,003,710, an increase of only $54,000,000 or about 25 per cent over last year's assessment.

The tax assessment of Buchanan county is $81,000,000, an increase of only $23,000,000. The assessment of Marion county is $16,524,038 as compared with 11,459,516 last year.

Monroe county increased its assessment from $9,342,556 to $9,924,380.

BARNARD

Mrs. Tom Smith visited with friends in Kansas City this week.

Frank Drydale, who has been very sick, is reported much improved.

Roy Hainey, one of our rural mail carriers, will soon leave for an army training camp.

L. J. Mendenhall is in Kansas this week demonstrating two large tractors for the Aultman & Taylor Co., of Kansas City.

Billy Curnut, who has been quite sick, is reported some better.

Lewis Comer of Ravenwood spent Saturday and Sunday the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ridlon.

Charley Evans, the Parnell auctioneer, was in town on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cross expect to leave soon for their new home in Savannah where Mr. Cross will be manager of a store.

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Stop Itching Eczema

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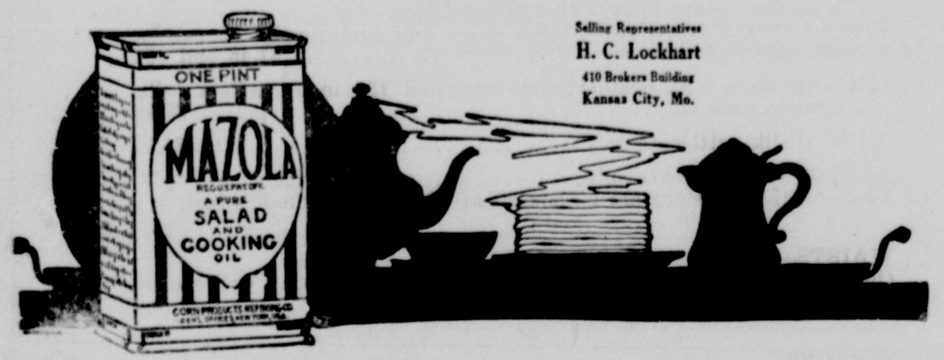

News at Hopkins

Mrs. Robert Coleman will have a closing out sale Monday and will move to Maryville.

The Red Cross ladies served lunch at the Lasley sale Thursday and will also serve lunch at the Coleman sale Monday.

John Whitten came up Sunday from Camp Funston, returning in a few hours. He thinks he will remain only about a week longer at Camp Funston, but does not know where he will go. Some of the Hopkins boys have already gone over-seas.

Miss Adams, the evangelist, who is holding meetings at the M. E. church, is having good crowds and creating a great deal of interest.

The high school boys as well as the girls are taking a great deal of interest in Red Cross work, using a part of each Friday afteroon in knitting and sewing.

George Gray and family have moved into the property of Miss Della Nash in east Hopkins.

Evert Lasley gave a closing out sale last Thursday and will move to Washington where he expects the climate will greatly benefit his health.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gray are the parents of a son, born February 6, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank New are rejoicing over the arrival of twin daughters, born February 9, Mrs. New herself being one of twin sisters.

Arthur McMaster came up from Meadville, Mo., Saturday to visit a few days with friends and relatives, Mrs. McMaster having come several days ago and will return home with Mr. McMaster.

Harry Jones was here Saturday to oversee the shipping of his goods to St Joseph.

Newt Butts will give a closing out sale and with his family will move west hoping to improve his health.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Whitney, who have been quite sick with throat trouble, are both much improved.

Jack Moorehead came down from Pedford to visit over Sunday with home folks.

No meetings were held at any of the churches Sunday night, except the Methodist, the other congregations meeting with them in their services.

Milt Adams of Kansas and a nephew of Mrs. Tom Applegate visited with her last week.

News at Clearmont.

Donald Dowell is sick with pneumonia. A nurse from Omaha is attending him.

The twin girls born to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cooper last week died Tuesday and were buried Wednesday. Mrs. Cooper is reported as dangerously ill.

Mrs. Linebaugh, who has been sick for several days is improving.

The Yeomen are planning for a big time February 25 at the I. O. O. F hall, when a class of 50 will be initiated. P. A. Stark, state manager, will deliver an address on Yeomanry. Special music will be furnished and the usual eats afterwards.

Albert Orme, who has been working for Valdo Lawrence, moved last Friday to the John Wolfe farm east of Braddyville, where he will work the coming year.

Ross Burch returned home Tuesday from Fremont, Nebr., where he has been visiting relatives.

Thos. Gray and sister, Mrs. S. T. Davison, went to Braddyville Tuesday to visit relatives.

Fred Horn of Elmo was in town Wednesday.

Jacob Burch and wife returned home Wednesday from a six weeks' visit in California and Colorado.

Jas. Milbank shipped a car of cattle to St. Joseph Friday.

C. J. Burch and wife came down from Clarinda Friday to visit relatives. Mr. Burch is the father of Mrs. W. T. Humphry.

W. J. Mulnix, district manager of the Yeoman Lodge, was in town Friday and Saturday.

W. C. McCullough of Blanchard, Ia., was in town Friday and Saturday.

Clearmont was in darkness Friday and Saturday nights, owing to the damage done the line by the sleet and wind.

Farmers are rejoicing over the rain and snow that fell Friday and Friday night. Quite a number report their wheat in good condition.

Public sales are getting numerous over the country. O. O. Gregory, Willie Henry and Zola Beaver each has a sale this week.

The school board engaged Miss Audrey Benson of Grant City to fill the unexpired term of Prof. Noblet, who resigned to go on a farm.

Edgar Pence is confined to his bed with tonsilitis.

A number from here went to Maryville to take the examination for rural mail carrier to fill the vacancy at this place.

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Pickering Circuit M. E. Church.

The Rev. Dr. F. D. Empey of Iowa will preach in Pickering next Sunday at 11 o'clock p. m. He is a very able speaker and you should hear him.

The evening service will be a union service at the M. E. church. Rev. Alsup, pastor of the Christian church, will preach.

The young people's meeting at 6.30 will also be a union service.

The pastor will preach at Mozingo Valley at 11 a. m.

You are cordially invited to worship with us. C. S. DAYHOFF, Pastor.

Ozro M. Gray went to Kansas City Tuesday to attend the motor show.

Gaynor Happenings.

Mrs. H. S. Potter, Correspondent.

Mrs. Will Stickle returned home on Saturday from Conway, Ia., where she spent several days visiting her brother, Dave Munn, and family.

The Farmers' Club met Monday and elected new officers for the coming year. Carl Killion was elected president and Bert Grimmitt secretary-treasurer.

Lawrence Cobb took a load of goods Wednesday to his farm near Clearfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Dug Taylor spent Wednesday and Thursday in Maryville visiting Mrs. Taylor's brother, Frank Knabb, and wife.

The Red Cross will hold an all-day meeting Thursday and there will be an instructor to direct making surgical dressings.

Walter Johnston gave a party Saturday afternoon to his schoolmates. The afternoon was spent in playing games. Mrs. Johnston and Miss Carol served ice cream and cake.

John Munn went to Davenport, Ia., last week to select a readi-cut house to replace the one that was destroyed by fire a short time ago.

The farmers are having trouble in getting cars to ship their stock. Dan Cort took cattle to Parnell Tuesday expecting a car, but had to hold them there until Thursday evening before getting a car.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hepburn took their son, George Henry, to Maryville Thursday to have his finger treated, which was badly hurt by being caught in a door.

Miss Ethel Stevenson and pupils are planning a box supper and spelling match next Friday evening. Everybody is invited to come and bring a box or a pie.

CLYDE NEWS

Lawrence Jones, who has been visiting Joseph Keef, has returned to his home in Washington.

Mrs. C. M. Gettings underwent a surgical operation at her home Sunday. She is reported doing nicely.

Miss Nora Felix of St. Joseph has been visiting at the home of her mother here the past week.

Mrs. T. Logan of Parnell has been a guest this week at the home of Mrs. C. Gettings.

Mrs. Earl Long entertained at luncheon Wednesday, Misses Nora Ellerman, Betty Stern and Gertrude Sullivan.

Miss Monica Corken of St. Joseph attended the wedding here of her cousin, Miss Mary Farnan, to Austin Quinn, which occurred last week.

Miss Rose Myer of Maryville is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Holtman, of Conception.

James and Francis Graham entertained several of their friends Sunday evening with music and refreshments. Those present were: Agnes Merrigan, Margaret Smith, Silas Riley, Anna Farnan and J. R. Farnan.

Miss Georgia Giddens, who has been visiting friends here for several months, has returned to her home in North Dakota.

Leo Fulton of Kansas City is visiting friends here this week.

Miss Nora Ellerman is in Kansas City this week visiting with friends and relatives.

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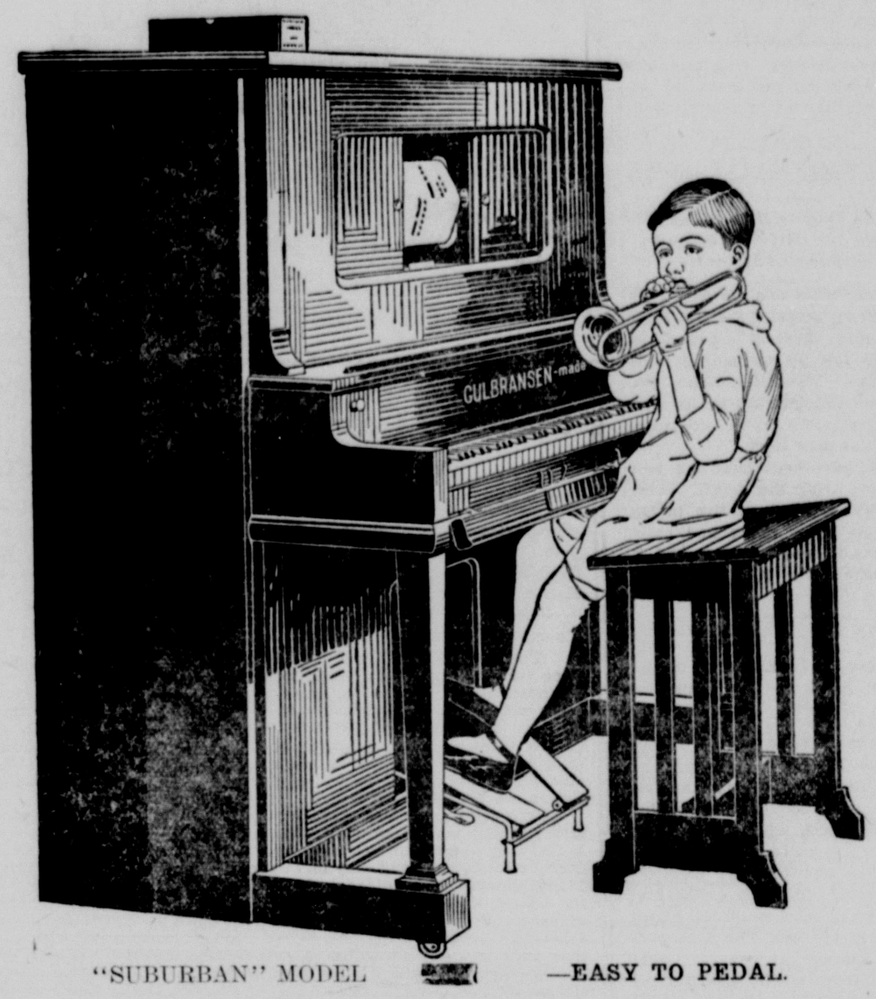

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The Missouri State Corn Growers' Association has set $5 a bushel as a fair price for pure seed corn of standard varieties. This action was taken to thwart efforts of speculators and profiteers who were taking advantage of the seed corn shortage to demand exorbitant prices. In view of the war emergency and the shortage of good seed corn the association believes that a price of $5 a bushel is fair for well selected, tested seed. Farmers who are requested by profiteers to pay a higher price will do well to take notice of this action by the corn growers. In many cases the corn offered for sale by such men will have been grown by members of the Corn Growers' Association and consequently farmers should deal directly with members of this association and avoid the excess profit demanded by unscrupulous seedsmen.

FIRE RUINED WALLS DOWN

Heavy Wind Topples Main Street Section Into the Street—Workmen Are Clearing Away Debris

The strong wind this morning blew down the front walls of the fire ruins of the stores formerly occupied by the Holmes Jewelry company and the Lincoln store. The walls, nearly two stories high, fell into the street with a crash, demolishing a white way standard. No one was hurt.

Workmen have been busy the past few days removing the debris, which forms a solid mass from five to ten feet deep on lower floors and basements of the burned buildings and it will be weeks before it is all cleared away.

HOPKINS BUSINESS CHANGE

Jacob Dragoo to Take Charge of the Electric Light and Ice Plant

A deal was made this week whereby Jacob Dragoo becomes the owner of the Hopkins Electric Light and Ice plant, H. A. Dalby exchanging same for two farms owned by Mr. Dragoo, the farm at the north edge of Hopkins consisting of 111 acres being taken at $225 an acre, and the one west of town consisting of 120 acres being taken at $110 an acre, while the plant was put in at $25,000. The deal was made through the agency of Luke Brown. Mr. Dragoo will take charge of the business the first of next month. —Hopkins Journal.

Announces for Congress.

Edgar G. Frazier of Rock Port, prosecuting attorney of Atchison county, while in St. Joseph yesterday, announced himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress in this district, says the St. Joseph News-Press. He is the only Republican thus far announced.

Mr. Frazier is a brother of Mrs. J. E. Bailey of Maryville.

Mrs. Thompson Sells Property.

Mrs. Janie Thompson of Hopkins sold her property on West Sixth street to Henry Ellsberry. Possession will be given March 1. The deal was made through Hugh Strong.

Hosick Holmes is confined to his bed with pneumonia contracted through exposure and wet clothing on the night of and following the big fire in which the store of the Holmes Jewelry Co. was destroyed.

Tall Oaks From Little Acorns Grow

—By Courtesy of the St. Louis Star

Cardinal Gibbons Urges Public to Acquire Habit of Thrift

Cardinal Gibbons has issued a stirring appeal to the citizens of America in the support of Thrift propaganda and War Savings plan. The appeal was written in response to Robert Crain, War Savings Director of Maryland, and was first published in the Baltimore Sun.

The appeal is as follows:

To My Fellow-Countrymen:

The door of opportunity to serve our country is flung wide open for practically every man, woman and child by the sale of war savings stamps. This is the most impressive thing about the movement which is being undertaken by the National War Savings Committee. There can be few people whose circumstances will not permit them to buy at intervals the 25-cent thrift stamp, and with each purchase gain step by step possession of the war savings stamp, for each one of which the credit and resources of the United States are pledged to return $5 for what now costs $4.12.

Such a return being produced by the process of compound interest carries the lesson of thrift in a practical and convincing way. I earnestly commend to young and old, and more particularly to parents, this simple and easy method of acquiring the habit of thrift. Many sorrows are avoided and much happiness is to be gained by the timely application of the principles of thrift. To the building of character it brings profitable acquaintance with self-denial and self-reliance. It is a valuable aid to good citizenship and a blessing that once properly grounded is a faithful companion through life.

We have reached a time in our national life when no loyal citizen of this country can afford to spend a dollar for wasteful luxuries. Such an expenditure resolves itself into a disloyal act.

Welcome indeed, therefore, is the opportunity offered through the sale of these war savings stamps to promote the cultivation of thrift and at the same time to serve one's country by lending to it in such small sums the price of the first step—the 25-cent thrift stamp.

Such is not only a privilege, but it is the clear duty of every American citizen, young and old. I urge upon our clergy and our schools to aid in every way in promoting thrift through the purchase of war savings stamps.

For the help it gives to our country's cause, for the good it will do those who take such steps, may this movement carry its patriotic and practical mission to every nook and corner of the nation.

Most faithfully yours,
(Signed) J. CARD. GIBBONS.

Baltimore, January 14, 1918.

DEVOURED BY HOGS.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 14.—Suffering a stroke of apoplexy while feeding hogs on his farm near here, Asa Gulick, 70, was attacked by the animals and torn apart before he could be rescued. He died without regaining consciousness. His wife found him in the center of a howling group of flesh-crazed swine.

OLD PAPERS for sale at this office.

Start Aberdeen-Angus Herd.

Fielding Chappell of Pine Bluffs, Wyoming, purchased from Hal Hooker seven head of pure-bred Aberdeen-Angus cattle and will ship them to his ranch soon. In the lot were six cows and one bull. Mr. Chappell will use these cattle for a start on an Aberdeen-Angus herd.

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These petticoats could not be bought at wholesale at these prices.

WAISTS—
One lot of crepe de chine and georgette waists for Friday and Saturday will be 20 per cent off.

RIBBONS—
One lot of plain and fancy ribbons will be only.....13c

THREAD—
Bear in mind that you can always buy J. & P. Coats' best six-cord cotton thread here at only, per spool 4c

Haines
The only spot cash and one-price dry goods store in Nodaway County.
By the Haines Bunch without the Boss.

Ravenwood News
Miss Nellie Lee Sims, Correspondent

Ed Walker returned to Camp Funston Sunday after a short visit with home folks.

There were twenty-three present at the Red Cross chapter Tuesday afternoon and they made 500 dressings.

Lavelle Collinsworth and wife recently left for their new home in Greenfield, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. Cory Pettijohn of Grant City spent the week end with Mrs. Pettijohn's parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Bishop.

Mesdames Ditamore, Peterson, Delbert Roades, Roy Teaney went to St. Joseph last Saturday.

Marion Lewis lately shipped his household goods and Saturday, with his wife and daughter, Burla, left for Wyoming to make a new home. They were accompanied as far as Omaha by Mr. and Mrs. Athol West.

David Heflin and family of Orrsburg recently visited at the Hunterson home.

Vern Henson sold and delivered a farm tractor to Hugh Whiteford of Guilford this week.

E. F. Bishop went to St. Joseph on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cross have moved to Savannah, Mo., where Mr. Cross has accepted the management of a grocery store.

There were twenty-seven members received into the M. E. church last Sunday; five by letter, the others on profession.

Miss Georgie Richards, who has been a patient sufferer for several years, has not been so well for a few days Mrs. Coons of Humboldt, Neb., is with her at present.

The German measles, or the disease that has been going the rounds in the different towns among the school children, has gone through the Ravenwood school, but most of them are back to their duties after a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Tebow have heard from each of their three boys who are in the service of their country last week. The letter from John Harold, who is a mine sweeper and in foreign waters, was about four weeks enroute He was feeling fine. Donald, of the navy, has probably made his third trip to France, and on the latter trip they encountered rough, stormy weather. Frank, of the Third Field Artillery band, Fort Sam Houston, was in the hospital, but convalescent.

On Wednesday evening there was a reception for new members at the Methodist church. Over eighty persons were present, including most of the recently added members of the church. Besides music, both instrumental and vocal, a social time was enjoyed and talks were made by R. F. Allen in an address of welcome, Dr. D. J. Hunterson, E. H. Sims, Leland Fryar and L. L. King. Refreshments were served by ladies of the church.

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A headache remedy without the dangers of "headache medicine." Relieves headache and that miserable feeling from colds or congestion. And it acts at once! Musterole is a clean, white ointment, made with oil of mustard. Better than a mustard plaster and does not blister. Used only externally, and in no way can it affect stomach and heart, as some internal medicines do.

Excellent for sore throat, bronchitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, all pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frosted feet, colds of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia).

30c and 60c jars; hospital size $2.50

MUSTEROLE
WILL NOT BLISTER

Rugs and Linoleums

Many families are making preparations to move at this time of the year and will need new rugs, linoleums, window shades and curtain materials. Our stocks are very complete with new Spring merchandise showing new patterns as well as large assortments in rugs, linoleums and other house furnishings that we carry.

It will be to your advantage to look through our stocks before purchasing, both as regards price and desirability of merchandise.

New Spring Suits

A big showing has already arrived, ranging in price from $25.00 to $35.00. Early buyers will find our showing the most complete in the city and we guarantee our styles to be authentic in every particular. Our $25.00 suits cannot be duplicated. Beautiful quality serges and poplins are used—the garments are beautifully trimmed and tailored and we assure you perfect satisfaction in our $25.00 numbers. If you are contemplating buying a suit now, let us show you our new styles.

D. R. Eversole & Son

Forum-ettes

Sent in from Ravenwood. "Kindly tell me why a girl closes her eyes when a fellow kisses her." If you will send in your photo we may be able to tell you the reason.

There needn't be any hurry about bringing any coal around to the school house so far as the small boy is concerned.

"Every time I read the Bible I discover something new in it that I never knew was there before," said Billy Sunday in a recent sermon. The same thing will occur every time you read your insurance policy.

After a man has been married about ten years he knows that the fellow who tried to condense all of the order into the ten commandments didn't take in territory enough.

"The Unspeakable Turk" seems to be passing, but in his place we have "The Hunspeakable Teut."

You are going to have enemies, son, if you ever amount to anything in the world, but there is no sense in going out and making a record for the number you can collect.

Deacon Moorehead of the Hopkins Journal, remarking that Arthur Brisbane says that Wilson put the tax load on the rich man's shoulders, adds that it certainly fell off and that "anyway a lot of us poor devils are carrying as much as we can wiggle under." The Deacon should worry.

A Maryville woman says that bandage parties and knitting bees have taken the place of bridge and pink teas to such an extent that she has forgotten "what is trumps."

Our greatest objection to the navy is the kind of clothes the poor fellows have to wear.

You have seen lots of queer things in your time but we'll bet you never saw the picture of a fat man in an underwear ad in the back of the magazine.

A CAPTAIN AT 22 YEARS.

Camp Sherman, O., Feb. 14.—Capt. R. R. Klingler today holds the distinction of being the youngest captain in camp. Captain Klingler was 21 when commissioned and he passed his 22nd birthday last August.

Capt. Klingler commands Jefferson county boys in Company K, 332d Inft., and although 80 per cent of his men are his senior in years they all swear by their youthful "cap."

Death of Colored Child.

James William Jackson (colored), the 16-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jackson, died at 9:30 o'clock this morning following a short illness. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the African Baptist church. Burial will be in the Oak Hill cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jackson of Guilford are in Maryville on business today.

Remus

MERCANTILE COMPANY

Corner Third and Buchanan Streets

New Silks for Spring

We are now showing a very complete line of Plain and Fancy Silks for early spring, in all the newest patterns and colors.

There are so many patterns in this showing that we are sure you will find just what you want for new spring dresses, suits or skirts

RAW FURS

The market is high on all kinds of FURS. Write for Special No. 1. CHAS. A. JENSEN, buyer of Furs, Hides, Produce, Maryville, Mo.

WAR WORK BEING PUSHED RAPIDLY

retary Baker perhaps contributed to his own discomfiture by his desire to avoid the publication of essential facts and his usual placidity in testifying as to matters of national concern.

Secretary Baker has been both reticent and optimistic. He no doubt felt justified in both, but failed to appreciate the anxiety of the public for something tangible on which to hang a similar sense of security and satisfaction for itself. So he spoke largely in generalities. Weighing the facts all together, it is shown that Secretary Baker has done well. Whether some one else could have done better can not be determined, and he has one very strong defense against any attacks that may be made upon his administration. Everybody believes him to be perfectly honest and conscientious. Such a man can and will correct errors when convinced of them.

The speeding up of the war preparations, as they effect the army, has been impeded by the one thing evidently designed to accomplish speed. There has been too much machinery, too many dollar-a-day patriots and too much conflicting authority. A great number of eminent experts in the different industries of the country hurried to Washington to offer their services to the government free. No better men can be secured than those skilled in the handling and manufacturing of certain products, but where there are a great many men, accustomed by training and experience to believe that the best way to serve their country is to serve their own concern, some profiteering must result. The United States is amply able to employ and pay reasonable salaries to all men who are needed in its active service. The dollar-a-day man is in other respects an expensive luxury some times. He has an expense account, which frequently is drawn upon for more than a reasonable salary, and he feels no obligation to observe regular hours or to work on consecutive days.

Conflict of authority has been one of the most serious difficulties. Any kind of order, when haste is important, is better than a number of conflicting orders. Bureaus, arising under legislation which confers obscure and ill defined power and authority, become a menace to each other. All are ambitious and anxious to accomplish something, as they have a right to be, but this very thing sometimes nullifies the end they seek. We have just now an interesting example in the war council and the army general staff. The war council, which was thought to be a sort of complimentary burying ground for men who have outlived their usefulness, seems now to be likely to supercede the general staff in importance, and there is, of course, friction and jealousy.

All these things are likely to arise in any organization and there has never been a war in which equal or greater defects will appear. All the countries abroad, unless it is Germany, are experiencing greater difficulties than we, and Germany has troubles of her own. The president and the administrative heads are moving to eliminate all unnecessary cogs and wheels in the big machine and to cull out the undesirable parts.

The severe winter made comfort in the cantonments difficult and overcrowding rendered ideal health conditions in some of the cantonments impossible, but most of them have been both healthful and comfortable.

According to the statement of Secretary Baker, we will have an army of one million and a half ready for transport to France this year. The great difficulty remaining is to get ships in which to transport them and the ten tons of freight that must follow every man for equipment and subsistence. Ships are being built, bought, commandeered and borrowed and the secretary of war maintains a hopeful composure. Germany will make a tremendous effort to sink the transports and we have been recently reminded that she will get some of them. On the other hand, assurance comes from the navy that the submarine menace will be largely overcome before the end of the summer. All the great naval experts of the allied world are at work on the problem and confidence is expressed in the outcome.

In this connection it may be well to suggest that Secretary Daniels against whom a vigorous fight was waged a year ago, has apparently come out unscathed. The American navy, adhering to its old organization and its own way of doing things, is running smoothly and is, in the judgment of many, the greatest navy afloat today. It is contrary to public policy to say what it is doing, but it can be stated that it is performing important work and that great things are expected of it. There have been indications that something important will develop in naval circles soon and when anything does happen it is believed that Americans will have reason to be proud of results.

Society and Clubland

BY MISS LUTA MOODY

Hanamo 42. Farmers 114

Dinner Party.

Miss Ruby Middleton was hostess at a dinner today given in honor of Floyd Reynolds of Fort Sill, who is home on a seven day furlough. Additional guests were: Miss Lillie Mayes, Mrs. Pearl McKinney and daughter, and I. N. Middleton.

To Have Another Contest.

The W. C. T. U. held their regular business meeting yesterday afternoon at the First Methodist church League rooms. It was decided to hold another contest soon. Mrs. Newlon, president of the W. C. T. U. at Clearmont, was a visitor and conducted devotions.

Zero Club Entertains.

Members of the Zero Club entertained with a line party followed by lunch at Reuillard's Tuesday night. Those present were: Misses Christal Wilson, Gladys McGreir, Nora Belle Burt, Mildred Young, Margaret Chilton, Lela Maier, Helen Davis; Chester Lyle, Floyd Heifner, Emmett Bartram, Virgil Lyle, Virgil Borrusch, Ralph Wray and Roland Curnutt.

Shakespeare Meeting.

About fifteen members of the Shakespeare Department of the Twentieth Century Club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George P. Bellows. A study of Shakespeare's Sonnets was conducted by Mrs. Bellows. A number of the sonnets were written on Valentine hearts and cupids and each member present was given two or three sonnets to read. As these were read they were discussed. Mrs. W. J. Osburn gave a talk on the history of St. Valentine and some of the customs that have arisen. After the program refreshments were served by the hostess.

Surprise for Tuckers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tucker of Ravenwood, who are leaving soon for Idaho, where they will make their home, were surprised by a group of their friends last Tuesday night. Apples and popcorn were brought by the guests and served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holtman and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Holtman, A. D. Campbell, Mrs. J. I. Freeman and family, Miss Ora Munkers, Ira Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Warden and son, James Raney, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Raney, and son, Edna, Myrtle and Everett Tucker.

Surprised Last Night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Saxton of the White Cloud neighborhood were agreeably surprised last night when thirty-three of their neighbors and friends gathered at their home to spend the evening with them. Piano music was furnished by Misses Emeline and Neola Saxton, who are students at the Conservatory. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Debord and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bracken and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rice and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Walker and family, Mrs. Charles Blagg and family, Mrs. Mary E. Bracken, Mrs. Stewart and family, and Mrs. A. M. Crooke. Mr. and Mrs. Saxton are moving from White Cloud to Maryville.

Mr. and Mrs. Pence Surprised.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Pence five miles east of Clearmont, who are moving near Maryville, were pleasantly surprised Tuesday evening, February 12, when their friends and neighbors gathered at their home for a farewell visit. The evening was spent with games, singing and music. At a late hour an oyster supper was served to th efollowing guests: Mr. and Mrs. N. C. LeGrande, Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Hornbuckle, Mr. and Mrs. James Neal, Mrs. Meredith, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sowers, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Trueblood, Mr. and Mrs. Peery, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sowers, Mrs. R. Blone, Misses Ora LeGrande, Neva Pence, Miss Lazenby, Cletta Trueblood, Miss Fisher, Dorothy Snodderly, Gladys Hornbuckle, Oney Blane, Ruth Hornbuckle, Marion Curry, Francis Curry, Orvil Coulter, Adrian Reynolds, Laverne Reynolds and Harold Trueblood.

H. K. G. Meeting.

The H. K. G. Club met with Mrs. Killam, Friday afternoon, February 1. The afternoon was spent in knitting, sewing and snipping for the Red Cross. The club held an all day meeting, with Mrs. Ernest Wray Wednesday, February 13. A Hoover lunch was served. On Friday evening, February 15, the members of the Club will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Florea and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Florea. The members present at Friday's meeting were: Mrs. Lon Leech, Mrs. Jim Lett, Mrs. Charles Florea, Mrs. Ernest Wray, Mrs. Roy Killam, Mrs. Cornie Leech, Mrs. Warren Bloomfield, Mrs. Ira Kelley, Mrs. Everett Florea, Mrs. Charley Killam, Mrs. Louis Pistole and Misses Mary Leech and Addie Killam.

Messbarger's Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. James Messbarger gave a surprise party Tuesday evening at their home near Burlington Junction in honor of Fred Messbarger and Miss Gertrude Spire of Parnell. The house was artistically decorated in pink and white Valentine hearts and cupids. Various interesting and amusing games were played by the guests, among them was a musical heart stunt, the prizes going to Miss Spire and Robert Tobin, and in pitching hearts Miss Christie Waldeier and Francis Tobin. Music was furnished by Miss Garnett Praiswater and Miss Gertrude Spire. Refreshments were carred out in the pink and white color scheme. Mr. Messbarger is one of Nodaway county's young men, who has been drafted for military service, and will leave February 23 for Camp Funston, Kan.

Those present were: Misses Garnett and Gladys Praiswater, Irene Tobin, Delia Atterbury, Millie Saddler, Mayme Cummins, Gladys Knapp, Christie Waldeier, Frances Brush and Gertrude Spire of Parnell Mills Crane, Will Cummins, Robert and Francis Tobin, Charles Jones, Tony Whitted, Raymond Knapp, Kenneth Fordyce, Gerald Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Messbarger, Fred Messbarger and the host and hostess.

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Two Clubs Meet.

The Xenia and M. D. U. clubs held their regular monthly business meeting Wednesday, February 13, at the home of Mrs. L. D. Hanna. The day was spent in Red Cros swork. At the noon hour dinner was served to a number of the neighbor men, who were gathering corn for Floyd Van Velson, who is ill at the St. Francis hospital. The men working were: Charles Coleman, J. N. Otis, J. B. Nielsen, Aage Nielsen, Harry Davis, George Walker, Bert Pfeiffer, Alex Swaney, Virgil Hyde, Delbert Hyde, Herbert Danewood, Olen Pistole, Elmer Hamilton, Byron Hanna, George Swaney and Clarence Van Velson. The club members and visitors present were: Mrs. J. B. Nielsen, Mrs. G. B. McArthur, Mrs. J. N. Otis, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs. Delbert Hyde, Mrs. George Swaney, Mrs. G. W. Swaney, Mrs. John Godsey, Mrs. Charles Coleman, Mrs. L. D. Hanna and two children, Elva and Marguerite, Donald Pistole, Loreta Hanna, Mrs. Frank Van Velson and Miss Thelma Davis.

Sues Doctors for Damage.

J. L. Davenport has brought suit in circuit court against Drs. Drake and Tieson, of St. Joseph, claiming damages on a broken contract. In his petition Mr. Davenport charges that on payment of a fee of $100 the physicians agreed to cure his daughter, Margery, of an illness and that they have given the case no attention whatever.

Charles Reidlinger of Conception is in Maryville today.

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Spring Styles

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SILKS

Of special interest at this time is our assortment of new Silk which is now on display. Silk is one of the leading materials for Spring apparel.

The Goldenrod silk in large assortment of new figures and colors—very popular for the new style dresses; Taffeta silk in plain colors, plaids and stripes, various colors; Crepe Faille and Crepe de Chine in all the new spring colorings; and Tub silks in stripes and plaids are here to select from.

McCALL PATTERNS

8161 Dress 8169 Waist 8145 Skirt

Fifty years of faithful service to the women of America have won their entire confidence

McCALL PATTERNS for February NOW ON SALE

Wool Goods

Select the material now for your new spring skirt, suit or dress. We have received a number of pieces of wool goods in plain colors, plaids and stripes that will make lovely garments. Blue, Burgundy, Gray, Green, Prune and Black are the leading shades, while there is a wide variety of mixtures and plaid effects in contrasting colors.

GINGHAMS

Never have we shown such a variety of beautiful ginghams. The Toile du Nord, the Delhi and the silk ginghams are all in the new assortment and the blending of colors are so perfect as to please the most critical.

Come and inspect the New Spring Merchandise, whether interested in buying or not.

SEE WINDOW DISPLAYS OF NEW SPRING CREATIONS

JAMES SCORES CHAMBERLAIN.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14.—A bitter debate over the conduct of the war broke out again in the senate this afternoon when Senator Ollie James of Kentucky took the floor to answer the recent attacks of Senator Chamberlain. Senator James said it behooved every official of high station to be exceedingly careful about his public utterances.

"NO MAN'S LAND" DEEP IN MUD

American Headquarters in France, Feb. 14.—The American sector of the front was more quiet on Wednesday than at any other time since the boys took over a part of the battle line. The weather is rainy and misty and thick mud in "No Man's Land" prevented patrol activities.

WIRES DOWN IN BIG WIND.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Kansas City, Feb. 14.—All wires in the east are down since noon today owing to the terrific windstorm that has swept the coast and eastern states.

SIR CECIL SPRING RICE DEAD.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14. — Sir Cecil Spring Rice, who had just returned as British Ambassador to the United States, died suddenly this morning at the government house at Ottawa, Ont., according to information here. He was in bad health when he left here.

DR. W. W. TURNER

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Soldier's Letters

IN TRENCHES IN SLEET STORM

Capt. Herschel Colbert Writes of Officer Cadets' Work at Camp Bowie

Capt. Herschel Colbert of Maryville, now at the officers' training school at Camp Bowie, Texas, at the request of his commanding officer, Col. Culberson, has written the following account of officer cadets' work under war conditions, the story appearing in a recent issue of the Fort Worth Record.

Fort Worth. — Three hundred infantrymen charged Camp Bowie's western front Thursday morning, took over, occupied and organized the trenches, and for twenty-eight hours held them against the enemy. The occupation took place in the teeth of the cutting winds and sleet storm which increased throughout Thursday night, but the troops continued their work hour by hour until the moment came when by order they were permitted to retire.

It was the first time the big trenches west of camp have been occupied under battle conditions and slept in through the night, and it was the cadets of the infantry section of the officers' training school who did it.

"Fine, their behavior is fine!" commented a French officer, detailed to aid and criticise the work. "I've never seen any inexperienced troops keep cover as well as these men do. Most men want to stick their heads up when they first get into the trenches, even in war, but here you can't see any heads."

Men Keep Out of Sight.

Keeping the men out of sight, while it is the hardest thing to do, was the thing most emphasized. The cadets in their studies and lectures learned that trench warfare is demoralizing to discipline and control. They knew that British officers were posted in the "German lines" on the opposite hill, "shooting" every man whose head showed above ground. And they knew that as prospective officers they were being watched for their ability to discipline themselves.

Results were strikingly obtained when late Thursday afternoon an airplane soaring above the trenches suddenly turned upside down and spun to earth in front of the trenches, crushing to death Cadet Rundle of the Royal Flying Corps. Not a man left his place or put his head above the trenches, except two, who were ordered to go with four officers and take charge of the accident.

The officers of the training school took their cadets into the trenches after three days of steady work at them where the men learned how to build trenches, dig and brace dugouts, construct entanglements, camouflage their lines and construct machine gun emplacements.

As soon as the company was marched to the trenches Thursday morning two platoons took over their sectors and the other two went into dugouts in the reserve line. The actual trench routine began at once. The men in the front line were divided into reliefs and posted as sentinels, watching for the enemy across "No Man's Land." They stood sentry duty one hour and then rested two hours.

Reserves Relieve Front Line.

The men in the reserve were put to work in the dugouts cleaning them out and building bunks. At 1 o'clock in the morning the two platoons in the rear relieved the other two and took over the front line. Everything was done quietly, without talking and without lights.

Having to walk and crawl through seeming miles of trenches in the cold and then stand still for an hour looking at barren hills or black night took the glamor out of war for the men. But the knowledge of why this sentinel was a machine gunner and that one a rifle grenadier put earnestness and enthusiasm into their work.

Finally comfort was given them by the dugouts and the cadets found that homes twenty-five feet underground were warm. Each dugout was named, a system used in Europe to identify places and make it easier to get around in the trenches. Dugout Greble was the home of the men occupying the right sector of the front line, while Dugout Hulen was on the left. In reserve were Dugouts Upham, Blewer and Logan and Metcalf Tunnel.

The feeding of the men was one of the few things criticised by the foreign officers as unreal, for three big hot meals were cooked in the rear of the lines every day and served to them. None of whom practiced real war conditions by refusing to have his plate heaped up or trading his pie for a cold crust of bread.

Their tour of duty ended at one o'clock Friday afternoon, when the cadets returned to the training school. They will continue their trench warfare every fourth week throughout the course.

Wheatless and Meatless Calendar

Cut Out and Hang in Your Kitchen

MONDAY.....**Wheatless day and breakfast meatless**
TUESDAY.....**Meatless day and supper wheatless**
WEDNESDAY.**Wheatless day and breakfast meatless**
THURSDAY...**Breakfast meatless and supper wheatless**
FRIDAY.....**Breakfast meatless and supper wheatless**
SATURDAY...**Porkless day and supper wheatless**

All public eating places are obliged to observe these, except that on wheatless days and meals, they may serve bread containing not less than 20 per cent wheat substitutes, and pastries containing one-third wheat substitutes, provided they use same kind of pastries all the time.

All private families who signed the food pledge are obliged by that pledge to strictly observe the above rules in the home, and the exceptions above noted applying to public eating places do not apply to the home.

All patriots should and will observe the above regulations.

F. P. ROBINSON,
Nodaway County Food Administrator.

AUTO SHOW MARCH 6-9

Motor Trucks, Trucks and Tractors in St. Joseph Auditorium

St. Joseph's 1918 automobile show, to be given in the Auditorium, March 6 to 9, inclusive, at which will be shown latest models of motor cars, trucks and tractors, will be the most complete exhibit of the kind ever seen in this territory.

Residents of the St. Joseph territory who are interested in motor vehicles are urged not to miss the St. Joseph show, because it will be in line with the big shows of the country. All standard automobiles will be shown and most of the important accessory firms have written for space.

Not only elegance, but utility, will be in the minds of those arranging the show. The handsome family car will be shown as well as the truck for all lines of business, from farming to the grocery store, and the farmers will be interested in the tractors for work in their fields.

This will be a double show under one roof, with the automobiles on the arena floor, the accessories in the corridors and the tractors and trucks in the basement. From top to bottom the great building will be filled with motor vehicles. Those in the market will have an opportunity of seeing all the principal makes and having the various points of each machine explained by an expert.

An entertainment program including musical features and vaudeville will be arranged. A cafe will be opened so the visitors need not leave the building all during the time the doors are open.

Kansas City Stock Yards, Feb. 11.—Live stock receipts today were fairly liberal; 15,000 cattle, 10,000 hogs, 7,000 sheep, 3,000 more cattle, the same number of hogs and 4,000 more sheep than a week ago. Cattle were steady, with a fairly good demand, but hogs and sheep were lower, principally because of the big receipts elsewhere. Chicago received 60,000 hogs and 25,000 sheep, the largest supplies on any Monday this year at that market. The car situation has improved with moderate weather and ina few days a far eastern outlet will be established. Railroads are accepting consignments for destination east of the Mississippi river for the first time in several weeks and order and shipper buyers are returning to the market.

Beef Cattle—Fed steers were in liberal supply today and the market, though slow, showed steady prices. The bulk of the offerings came from Kansas and sold at $10.75 to $12.00; top price, $13.00. Nebraska was fairly well represented, with sales at $11 to $12. Idaho and Wyoming steers brought $10.50 to $11.50. Killers are in a position to increase their orders as soon as they can make liberal eastern consignments without delay. The Lenten season, which begins on Wednesday, usually causes restricted demand for beef, but this year it will be of little consequence as the use of beef is already restricted by meatless days.

Stockers and Feeders—Demand for stockers and feeders has enlarged with mild weather and the only restricting factor in the trade is small receipts. Many inquiries are coming for cattle to turn on grass. Prices today were strong to unevenly higher. Most of the stockers sold at $9.50 to $10.75.

Hogs—More than 100,000 hogs arrived at the five western markets today, the largest supply of any Monday this season. Chicago quoted prices off 15 cents. In Kansas City the market was down 10 to 15 cents on the opening and closed 25 lower. Moderate weather is expected to continue the heavy movement. The top price today, $16.25, was paid for choice light, medium and heavy weight hogs, and the bulk of sales $15.90 to $16.20.

Sheep and Lambs—The sheep market last week was the highest for some time past, but today, with fairly liberal receipts at all markets, prices fell back to 15 to 25 cents. Choice lambs are quoted up to $17.15, and fair to good lambs, $16.25 to $16.90. Few feeding lambs are coming. Some old plain fat ewes sold at $11.25. Choice fat ewes would bring $12.75.

J. A. RICKART,
Market Correspondent.

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MAKE INVESTIGATIONS

In All Cases of Excessive Buying Purchaser Must Appear Before Administrator For Examination

Columbia, Feb. 13.—Despite the law against the hoarding of food stuffs which provides that anyone guilty may be fined not exceeding $5,000 or be imprisoned for not more than two years, or both, reports have come to the office of the state food administrator that consumers have been buying flour in excessive quantities.

F. B. Mumford, federal food administrator for Missouri, has ruled that in all cases of excessive buying the purchaser and dealer must appear before their county food administrator for examination. The purchaser will be required to return the quantity in excess of the proper limitations and the seller must give the purchaser the price of the quantity returned. Flagrant and repeated violations of the rule will be referred to the department of justice.

"Hoarding of food now is a moral crime," said Mr. Mumford. This is no time to delay putting into effect the rules of the food administration. The next three months will be the most crucial of the whole campaign for the conservation of food as well as of the war. Should we fail to save sufficient wheat for the soldiers in France and our associates in the war our entire plans must collapse.

"Food conservation is not a fad. The rules and regulations regarding the saving of meat and wheat are grave necessities. They were not made by some faddist in Washington merely as something new and unique; they were made to prevent our defeat through lack of bread in Europe. Violators of these regulations are lending aid and comfort to the enemy."

Purchasers of excessive quantities of flour already have been required by the county food administrators to take back the excess. A grocer sold 48 pounds of flour to a customer two days in succession. The food administrator required the customer to bring back one of the sacks and to deliver 16 pounds of corn meal for the sack retained. Another grocer sold sixteen sacks of flour and six bags of sugar to one man. The county food administrator had them all returned. Reports that farmers in one community were buying flour in 500 and 600-lb. quantities were referred to the county food administrator with instructions to have the flour returned immediately.

Large amounts of wheat and flour have been bought with no intention of hoarding. One man in a small Missouri town recently bought ten sacks of flour and 200 pounds of sugar. When he was notified his purchase was excessive he returned all except two sacks of flour that had been opened.

"I don't want to hoard flour," he wrote. "I am willing to eat hay if it will help win this war."

Contribution.

To Mrs. Seafers and Family
He has gone from thy side, dearest sister.
You have laid him to rest 'neath the sod.
While you and thy children mourn in sorrow,
His spirit rejoices with God.
Yes, sister, his sufferings are over;
He has entered the haven of rest,
And is dwelling today with his Savior
And singing the songs of the blest.
Put your trust in the Savior, dear children,
Knowing well the day will soon come
When you'll meet your kind Father in Glory;
Dwell together in that Heavenly home.
And, now, while you're lonely without him,
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Monday, February 18

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5 Head of Cattle—1 cow with calf; 1 Jersey heifer; 1 Whiteface bull, out of Carr herd; Whiteface cow, fresh in April; 1 coming yearling roan bull.

42 Head of Hogs—12 brood sows, farrow in April; 31 fall shoats.

Implements—1 Weber wagon; 1 low wheel wagon and frame; stalk cutter; disc; riding lister; 2 New Century cultivators; 1 go-devil; corn planter; mowing machine and rake; harrow; garden plow; hog waterer and troughs; 3 sets work harness, one new; saddle and bridle; 1 end-gate seeder; 12-inch gang plow; iron kettle; cook stove; folding bed; oil stove.

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T. C. Cooper

Closing Out Public Sale

Having decided to leave the farm, I will give a closing out sale at my present residence, 4½ miles west and a mile south of Hopkins, 1 mile north and a half mile west of Good Hope church and 13 miles north and 2 miles west of Maryville, on

Thursday, February 21

beginning at 10 a. m.

71——HEAD OF LIVE STOCK——71

11 Head of Horses—2 coming 5-year-old mares, a black and a brown; 3 coming 4-year-old mares, a black, a brown and a bay, 3 coming 4-year-old horses, two blacks and a gray. These are all heavy draft stuff. Also one good all purpose team, a 7-year-old horse and a 11-year-old mare, and one sorrel, coming 4-year-old horse.

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CHAPTER I.

From Mufti to Khaki.

It was in an office in Jersey City. I was sitting at my desk talking to a lieutenant of the Jersey National Guard. On the wall was a big war map decorated with variously colored little flags showing the position of the opposing armies on the western front in France. In front of me on the desk lay a New York paper with big flaring headlines:

LUSITANIA SUNK! AMERICAN LIVES LOST!

The windows were open and a feeling of spring pervaded the air. Through the open windows came the strains of a hurdy-gurdy playing in the street—"I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier."

"Lusitania Sunk! American Lives Lost!"—"I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier." To us these did not seem to jibe.

The lieutenant in silence opened one of the lower drawers of his desk and took from it an American flag which he solemnly draped over the war map on the wall. Then, turning to me with a grim face, said:

"How about it, sergeant? You had better get out the muster roll of the Mounted Scouts, as I think they will be needed in the course of a few days."

We busied ourselves till late in the evening writing out emergency telegrams for the men to report when the call should come from Washington. Then we went home.

I crossed over to New York, and as I went up Fulton street to take the subway to Brooklyn, the lights in the tall buildings of New York seemed to be burning brighter than usual, as if they, too, had read "Lusitania Sunk! American Lives Lost!" They seemed to be glowing with anger and righteous indignation, and their rays wigwagged the message, "Repay!"

Months passed, the telegrams lying handy, but covered with dust. Then, one momentous morning the lieutenant with a sigh of disgust removed the flag from the war map and returned

Guy Empey.

to his desk. I immediately followed this action by throwing the telegrams into the wastebasket. Then we looked at each other in silence. He was squirming in his chair and I felt depressed and uneasy.

The telephone rang and I answered it. It was a business call for me, requesting my services for an out-of-town assignment. Business was not very good, so this was very welcome. After listening to the proposition I seemed to be swayed by a peculiarly strong force within me, and answered, "I am sorry that I cannot accept your offer, but I am leaving for England next week," and hung up the receiver. The lieutenant swung around in his chair, and stared at me in blank astonishment. A sinking sensation came over me, but I defiantly answered his look with, "Well, it's so. I'm going." And I went.

The trip across was uneventful. I landed at Tilbury, England, then got into a string of matchbox cars and proceeded to London, arriving there about 10 p. m. I took a room in a hotel near St. Pancras station for "five and six—fire extra." The room was minus the fire, but the "extra" seemed to keep me warm. That night there was a Zeppelin raid, but I didn't see much of it, because the slit in the curtains was too small and I had no desire to make it larger. Next morning the telephone bell rang, and someone asked, "Are you there?" I was, hardly. Anyway, I learned that the Zeps had returned to their fatherland, so I went out into the street expecting to see scenes of awful devastation and a cowering populace, but everything was normal. People were calmly proceeding to their work. Crossing the street, I accosted a Bobbie with:

"Can you direct me to the place of damage?"

He asked me, "What damage?"

In surprise, I answered, "Why, the damage caused by the Zeps."

With a wink he replied:

"There was no damage; we missed them again."

After several fruitless inquiries of the passersby, I decided to go on my own in search of ruined buildings and scenes of destruction. I boarded a bus which carried me through Tottenham Court road. Recruiting posters were everywhere. The one that impressed me most was a life-size picture of Lord Kitchener with his finger pointing directly at me, under the caption of "Your King and Country Need You." No matter which way I turned, the accusing finger followed me. I was an American, in mufti, and had a little American flag in the lapel of my coat. I had no king, and my country had seen fit not to need me, but still that pointing finger made me feel small and ill at ease. I got off the bus to try to dissipate this feeling by mixing with the throng of the sidewalks.

Presently I came to a recruiting office. Inside, sitting at a desk was a lonely Tommy Atkins. I decided to interview him in regard to joining the British army. I opened the door. He looked up and greeted me with "I s'y, myte, want to tyke on?"

I looked at him and answered, "Well, whatever that is, I'll take a chance at it."

Without the aid of an interpreter, I found out that Tommy wanted to know if I cared to join the British army. He asked me: "Did you ever hear of the Royal Fusiliers?" Well, in London, you know, Yanks are supposed to know everything, so I was not going to appear ignorant and answered, "Sure."

After listening for one half-hour to Tommy's tale of their exploits on the firing line, I decided to join. Tommy took me to the recruiting headquarters, where I met a typical English captain. He asked my nationality. I immediately pulled out my American passport and showed it to him. It was signed by Lansing. After looking at the passport, he informed me that he was sorry but could not enlist me, as it would be a breach of neutrality. I insisted that I was not neutral, because to me it seemed that a real American could not be neutral when big things were in progress, but the captain would not enlist me.

With disgust in my heart I went out in the street. I had gone about a block when a recruiting sergeant who had followed me out of the office tapped me on the shoulder with his swagger stick and said: "S'y, I can get you in the army. We have a 'leftenant' down at the other office who can do anything. He has just come out of the O. T. C. (Officers' Training corps) and does not know what neutrality is." I decided to take a chance, and accepted his invitation for an introduction to the lieutenant. I entered the office and went up to him, opened up my passport and said:

"Before going further I wish to state that I am an American, not too proud to fight, and want to join your army."

He looked at me in a nonchalant manner, and answered, "That's all right; we take anything over here."

I looked at him kind of hard and replied, "So I notice," but it went over his head.

He got out an enlistment blank, and placing his finger on a blank line said, "Sign here."

I answered, "Not on your tintype."

"I beg your pardon?"

Then I explained to him that I would not sign it without first reading it. I read it over and signed for duration of war. Some of the recruits were lucky. They signed for seven years only!

Then he asked me my birthplace. I answered, "Ogden, Utah."

He said, "Oh, yes, just outside of New York?"

With a smile, I replied, "Well, it's up the state a little."

Then I was taken before the doctor and passed as physically fit, and was issued a uniform. When I reported back to the lieutenant, he suggested that, being an American, I go on recruiting service and try to shame some of the slackers into joining the army.

"All you have to do," he said, "is to go out on the street, and when you see a young fellow in mufti who looks physically fit, just stop him and give him this kind of a talk: 'Aren't you ashamed of yourself, a Britisher, physically fit, and in mufti when your king and country need you? Don't you know that your country is at war and that the place for every young Briton is on the firing line? Here I am, an American, in khaki, who came four thousand miles to fight for your king and country, and you, as yet, have not enlisted. Why don't you join? Now is the time.'

"This argument ought to get many recruits, Empey, so go out and see what you can do."

He then gave me a small rosette of red, white and blue ribbon, with three little streamers hanging down. This was the recruiting insignia and was to be worn on the left side of the cap.

Armed with a swagger stick and my patriotic rosette, I went out into Tottenham Court road in quest of cannon fodder.

Two or three poorly dressed civilians passed me, and although they appeared physically fit, I said to myself, "They don't want to join the army; perhaps they have someone dependent on them for support," so I did not accost them.

Coming down the street I saw a young dandy, top hat and all, with a fashionably dressed girl walking beside him. I muttered, "You are my meat," and when he came abreast of me I stepped directly in his path and stopped him with my swagger stick, saying:

"You would look fine in khaki; why not change that top hat for a steel helmet? Aren't you ashamed of yourself, a husky young chap like you in mufti when men are needed in the trenches? Here I am, an American,

Swearing in a Recruit.

came four thousand miles from Ogden, Utah, just outside of New York, to fight for your king and country. Don't be a slacker, buck up and get into uniform; come over to the recruiting office and I'll have you enlisted."

He yawned and answered, "I don't care if you came forty thousand miles, no one asked you to," and he walked on. The girl gave me a sneering look; I was speechless.

I recruited for three weeks and nearly got one recruit.

This perhaps was not the greatest stunt in the world, but it got back at the officer who had told me, "Yes, we take anything over here." I had been spending a good lot of my recruiting time in the saloon bar of the Wheat Sheaf pub (there was a very attractive blonde barmaid, who helped kill time—I was not as serious in those days as I was a little later when I reached the front)—well, it was the sixth day and my recruiting report was blank. I was getting low in the pocket—barmaids haven't much use for anyone who cannot buy drinks—so I looked around for recruiting material. You know a man on recruiting service gets a "bob" or shilling for every recruit he entices into joining the army, the recruit is supposed to get this, but he would not be a recruit if he were wise to this fact, would he?

Down at the end of the bar was a young fellow in mufti who was very patriotic—he had about four "Old Six" ales aboard. He asked me if he could join, showed me his left hand, two fingers were missing, but I said that did not matter as "we take anything over here." The left hand is the rifle hand as the piece is carried at the slope on the left shoulder. Nearly everything in England is "by the left," even general traffic keeps to the port side.

I took the applicant over to headquarters, where he was hurriedly examined. Recruiting surgeons were busy in those days and did not have much time for thorough physical examinations. My recruit was passed as "fit" by the doctor and turned over to a corporal to make note of his scars. I was mystified. Suddenly the corporal burst out with, "Blime me, two of his fingers are gone." Turning to me he said, "You certainly have your nerve with you, not 'alf you ain't, to bring this beggar in."

The doctor came over and exploded, "What do you mean by bringing in a man in this condition?"

Looking out of the corner of my eye I noticed that the officer who had recruited me had joined the group, and I could not help answering, "Well, sir, I was told that you took anything over here."

I think they called it "Yankee impudence," anyhow it ended my recruiting.

CHAPTER II.

Blighty to Rest Billets.

The next morning the captain sent for me and informed me: "Empey, as a recruiting sergeant you are a washout," and sent me to a training depot.

After arriving at this place, I was hustled to the quartermaster stores and received an awful shock. The quartermaster sergeant spread a waterproof sheet on the ground and commenced throwing a miscellaneous assortment of straps, buckles and other paraphernalia into it. I thought he would never stop, but when the pile reached to my knees he paused long enough to say, "Next, No. 5217, 'Arris, B company." I gazed in bewilderment at the pile of junk in front of me, and then my eyes wandered around looking for the wagon which was to carry it to barracks. I was rudely brought to earth by the "quarter" exclaiming, "'Ere, you, 'op it; tyke it aw'y; blind my eyes, 'e's looking for 'is batman to 'elp 'im carry it."

Struggling under the load, with frequent pauses for rest, I reached our barracks (large car barns), and my platoon leader came to the rescue. It was a marvel to me how quickly he assembled the equipment. After he had completed the task, he showed me how to adjust it on my person. Pretty soon I stood before him a proper Tommy Atkins in heavy marching order, feeling like an overloaded camel.

On my feet were heavy-soled boots, studded with hobnails, the toes and heels of which were re-enforced by steel half-moons. My legs were incased in woolen puttees, olive drab in color, with my trousers overlapping them at the top. Then a woolen khaki tunic, under which was a bluish gray woolen shirt, minus a collar; beneath this shirt a woolen belly band about six inches wide, held in place by tie strings of white tape. On my head was a heavy woolen trench cap, with huge earlaps buttoned over the top. Then the equipment: A canvas belt, with ammunition pockets, and two wide canvas straps like suspenders, called "D" straps, fastened to the belt in front, passing over each shoulder, crossing in the middle of my back, and attached by buckles to the rear of the belt. On the right side of the belt hung a water bottle, covered with felt; on the left side was my bayonet and scabbard, and intrenching tool handle, this handle strapped to the bayonet scabbard. In the rear was my intrenching tool, carried in a canvas case. This tool was a combination pick and spade. A canvas haversack was strapped to the left side of the belt, while on my back was the pack, also of canvas, held in place by two canvas straps over the shoulders; suspended on the bottom of the pack was my mess tin or canteen in a neat little canvas case. My waterproof sheet, looking like a jelly roll, was strapped on top of the pack, with a wooden stick for cleaning the breach of the rifle projecting from each end. On a lanyard around my waist hung a huge jackknife with a can-opener attachment. The pack contained my overcoat, an extra pair of socks, change of underwear, hold all (containing knife, fork, spoon, comb, toothbrush, lather brush, shaving soap, and a razor made of tin, with "Made in England" stamped on the blade; when trying to shave with this it made you wish that you were at war with Patagonia, so that you could have a "hollow ground" stamped "Made in Germany"); then your housewife, button-cleaning outfit, consisting of a brass button stick, two stiff brushes, and a box of "Soldiers' Friend" paste; then a shoe brush and a box of dubbin, a writing pad, indelible pencil, envelopes, and pay book, and personal belongings, such as a small mirror, a decent razor and a sheaf of unanswered letters, and fags. In your haversack you carry your iron rations, meaning a tin of bully beef, four biscuits and a can containing tea, sugar and Oxo cubes; a couple of pipes and a pack of shag, a tin of rifle oil, and a pull-through. Tommy generally carries the oil with his rations; it gives the cheese a sort of sardine taste.

Add to this a first-aid pouch and a long, ungainly rifle patterned after the Daniel Boone period, and you have an idea of a British soldier in Blighty.

Before leaving for France, this rifle is taken from him and he is issued with a Lee-Enfield short trench rifle and a ration bag.

In France he receives two gas helmets, a sheepskin coat, rubber mackintosh, steel helmet, two blankets, tearshell goggles, a balaclava helmet, gloves and a tin of antifrostbite grease which is excellent for greasing the boots. Add to this the weight of his rations, and can you blame Tommy for growling at a twenty-kilo route march?

Having served as sergeant major in the United States cavalry, I tried to tell the English drill sergeants their business, but it did not work. They immediately put me as batman in their mess. Many a greasy dish of stew was accidentally spilled over them.

I would sooner fight than be a waiter, so when the order came through from headquarters calling for a draft of 250 re-enforcements for France, I volunteered.

Then we went before the M. O. (medical officer) for another physical examination. This was very brief. He asked our names and numbers and said "Fit," and we went out to fight.

We were put into troop trains and sent to Southampton, where we detrained, and had our trench rifles issued to us. Then in columns of twos we went up the gangplank of a little steamer lying alongside the dock.

At the head of the gangplank there was an old sergeant, who directed that we line ourselves along both rails of the ship. Then he ordered us to take life belts from the racks overhead and put them on. I have crossed the ocean several times and knew I was not seasick, but when I buckled on that life belt I had a sensation of sickness.

After we got out into the stream all I could think of was that there were a million German submarines with a torpedo on each, across the warhead of which was inscribed my name and address.

After five hours we came alongside a pier and disembarked. I had attained another one of my ambitions. I was "somewhere in France." We slept in the open that night on the side of the road. About six the next morning we were ordered to entrain. I looked around for the passenger coaches, but all I could see on the siding were cattle cars. We climbed into these. On the side of each car was a sign reading "Hommes 40, Chevevaux 8." When we got inside of the cars, we thought that perhaps the sign painter had reversed the order of things. After 48 hours in these trucks we detrained at Rouen. At this place we went through an intensive training for ten days.

The training consisted of the rudiments of trench warfare. Trenches had been dug, with barbed wire entanglements, bombing saps, dugouts, observation posts and machine gun emplacements. We were given a smattering of trench cooking, sanitation, bomb throwing, reconnoitering, listening posts, constructing and repairing barbed wire, "carrying in" parties,

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methods used in attack and defense, wiring parties, mass formation, and the procedure for poison-gas attacks.

On the tenth day we again met our friends "Hommes 40, Chevenux 8." Thirty-six hours more of misery, and we arrived at the town of F——.

After unloading our rations and equipment, we lined up on the road in columns of fours waiting for the order to march.

A dull rumbling could be heard. The sun was shining. I turned to the man on my left and asked, "What's the noise, Bill?" He did not know, but his face was of a pea-green color. Jim, on my right, also did not know, but suggested that I "awsk" the sergeant.

Coming towards us was an old grizzled sergeant, properly fed up with the war, so I "awsked" him.

"Think it's going to rain, sergeant?"

He looked at me in contempt, and grunted, "'Ow's it a-goin' ter rain with the bloomin' sun a-shinin'?" I looked guilty.

"Them's the guns up the line, me lad, and you'll get enough of 'em before you gets back to Blighty."

My knees seemed to wilt, and I squeaked out a weak "Oh!"

Then we started our march up to the line in ten-kilo treks. After the first day's march we arrived at our rest billets. In France they call them rest billets, because while in them Tommy works seven days a week and on the eighth day of the week he is given twenty-four hours "on his own."

Our billet was a spacious affair, a large barn on the left side of the road, which had one hundred entrances, ninety-nine for shells, rats, wind and rain, and the hundredth one for Tommy. I was tired out, and using my shrapnel-proof helmet (shrapnel proof until a piece of shrapnel hits it), or tin hat, for a pillow, lay down in the straw, and was soon fast asleep. I must have slept about two hours, when I awoke with a prickling sensation all over me. As I thought, the straw had worked through my uniform. I woke up the fellow lying on my left, who had been up the line before, and asked him:

"Does the straw bother you, mate? It's worked through my uniform and I can't sleep."

In a sleepy voice he answered, "That ain't straw, them's cooties."

From that time on my friends the "cooties" were constantly with me.

"Cooties," or body lice, are the bane of Tommy's existence.

The aristocracy of the trenches very seldom call them "cooties," they speak of them as fleas.

To an American flea means a small insect armed with a bayonet, who is wont to jab it into you and then hopskip and jump to the next place to be attacked. There is an advantage in having fleas on you instead of "cooties" in that in one of his extended jumps said flea is liable to land on the fellow next to you; he has the typical energy and push of the American, while the "cootie" has the bulldog tenacity of the Englishman; he holds on and consolidates or digs in until his meal is finished.

There is no way to get rid of them permanently. No matter how often you bathe, and that is not very often, or how many times you change your underwear, your friends the "cooties" are always in evidence. The billets are infested with them, especially so if there is straw on the floor.

I have taken a bath and put on brand-new underwear; in fact, a complete change of uniform, and then turned in for the night. The next morning my shirt would be full of them. It is a common sight to see eight or ten soldiers sitting under a tree with their shirts over their knees engaging in a "shirt hunt."

At night about half an hour before "lights out," you can see the Tommies grouped around a candle, trying, in its dim light, to rid their underwear of the vermin. A popular and very quick method is to take your shirt and drawers, and run the seams back and forward in the flame from a candle and burn them out. This practice is dangerous, because you are liable to burn holes in the garments if you are not careful.

Recruits generally sent to Blighty for a brand of insect powder advertised as "Good for body lice." The advertisement is quite right; the powder is good for "cooties;" they simply thrive on it.

The older men of our battalion were wiser and made scratchers out of wood. These were rubbed smooth with a bit of stone or sand to prevent splinters. They were about eighteen inches long, and Tommy guarantees that a scratcher of this length will reach any part of the body which may be attacked. Some of the fellows were lazy and only made their scratchers twelve inches, but many a night when on guard, looking over the top from the fire step of the front-line trench, they would have given a thousand "quid" for the other six inches.

Once while we were in rest billets an Irish Hussar regiment camped in an open field opposite our billet. After they had picketed and fed their horses, a general shirt hunt took place. The troopers ignored the call "Dinner up," and kept on with their search for big game. They had a curious method of procedure. They hung their shirts over a hedge and beat them with their entrenching tool handles.

I asked one of them why they didn't pick them off by hand, and he answered, "We haven't had a bath for nine weeks or a change of clabber. If I tried to pick the 'cooties' off my shirt, I would be here for duration of war." After taking a close look at his shirt, I agreed with him; it was alive.

The greatest shock a recruit gets when he arrives at his battalion in France is to see the men engaging in a "cootie" hunt. With an air of contempt and disgust he avoids the company of the older men, until a couple of days later, in a torment of itching, he also has to resort to a shirt hunt, or spend many a sleepless night of misery. During these hunts there are lots of pertinent remarks bandied back and forth among the explorers, such as, "Say, Bill, I'll swap you two little ones for a big one," or, "I've got a black one here that looks like Kaiser Bill."

One sunny day in the front-line trench, I saw three officers sitting outside of their dugout ("cooties" are no respecters of rank; I have even noticed a suspicious uneasiness about a certain well-known general), one of them was a major, two of them were exploring their shirts, paying no attention to the occasional shells which passed overhead. The major was writing a letter; every now and then he would lay aside his writing-pad, search his shirt for a few minutes, get an inspiration, and then resume writing. At last he finished his letter and gave it to his "runner." I was curious to see whether he was writing to an insect firm, so when the runner passed me I engaged him in conversation and got a glimpse at the address on the envelope. It was addressed to Miss Alice Somebody, in London. The "runner" informed me that Miss Somebody was the major's sweetheart and that he wrote to her every day. Just imagine it, writing a love letter during a "cootie" hunt; but such is the creed of the trenches.

CHAPTER III.

I Go to Church.

Upon enlistment we had identity disks issued to us. These were small disks of red fiber worn around the neck by means of a string. Most of the Tommies also used a little metal disk which they wore around the left wrist by means of a chain. They had previously figured it out that if their heads were blown off, the disk on the left wrist would identify them. If they lost their left arm the disk around the neck would serve the purpose, but if their head and left arm were blown off, no one would care who they were, so it did not matter. On one side of the disk was inscribed your rank, name, number and battalion, while on the other was stamped your religion.

C. of E., meaning Church of England; R. C., Roman Catholic; W., Wesleyan; P., Presbyterian; but if you happened to be an atheist they left it blank, and just handed you a pick and shovel. On my disk was stamped C. of E. This is how I got it: The lieutenant who enlisted me asked my religion. I was not sure of the religion of the British army, so I answered, "Oh, any old thing," and he promptly put down C. of E.

Now, just imagine my hard luck. Out of five religions I was unlucky enough to pick the only one where church parade was compulsory!

The next morning was Sunday. I was sitting in the billet writing home to my sister, telling her of my wonderful exploits while under fire—all recruits do this. The sergeant major put his head in the door of the billet and shouted: "C. of E. outside for church parade!"

I kept on writing. Turning to me, in a loud voice, he asked, "Empey, aren't you C. of E.?"

I answered, "Yep."

In an angry tone, he commanded, "Don't you 'yep' me. Say, 'Yes, sergeant major.'"

"I did so. Somewhat mollified, he ordered, "Outside for church parade."

I looked up and answered, "I am not going to church this morning."

He said, "Oh, yes, you are!"

I answered, "Oh, no, I'm not!"—But I went.

We lined up outside with rifles and bayonets, 120 rounds of ammunition, wearing our tin hats, and the march to church began. After marching about five kilos, we turned off the road into an open field. At one end of this field the chaplain was standing in a limber. We formed a semicircle around him. Overhead there was a black speck circling round and round in the sky. This was a German Fokker. The chaplain had a book in his left hand—left eye on the book—right eye on the airplane. We Tommies were lucky, we had no books, so had both eyes on the airplane.

After church parade we were marched back to our billets, and played football all afternoon.

(To be continued.)

STOP THAT ACHE!

Don't worry and complain about a bad back. Get rid of that pain and lameness! Use Doan's Kidney Pills. Many Maryville people have used them and know how effective they are. Here's a Maryville case:

Mrs. K. E. Ratcliffe, 816 North Walnut street, Maryville, says: "Mornings I used to get up with the most terrible backaches, it seemed as though my back would break. My head ached a great deal and I was awfully dizzy, too. My kidneys acted too frequently, causing me great annoyance. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills so highly recommended that I got some at Gaugh & Woodworth's Drug Store. They removed all the kidney trouble and it hasn't been necessary for me to use a kidney medicine now for over four years."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Ratcliffe had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Solon Clark went to Kansas City today to attend the motor show.

(1st insertion Feb. 9; last March 2)
ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, County of Nodaway, ss.
In the Circuit Court, April term, 1918.

August King, executor of the estate of Mary German, Plaintiff, vs. Frank German, John German, Anna McPherson, Louisa German and Mary German, Defendants.

Now at this day comes the Plaintiff herein, by his Attorneys and files his Petition and Affidavit, alleging among other things that Defendants, Frank German, John German, Anna McPherson and Mary German are not residents of the State of Missouri, so that the ordinary process of law can not be served upon them within this State.

Whereupon, it is ordered by the Clerk in vacation that said Defendants be notified by Publication that Plaintiff has commenced a suit against them in this Court, the object and general nature of which is to construe the will of John German, deceased, and advise and direct the Plaintiff as to his duties under the will of Mary German deceased, concerning and affecting the right, title and interests of the defendants in and to the following described land situate in Nodaway County, Missouri, to wit: The South One-half of the Southeast Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section Thirty-one (31), Township Sixty-three (63) of Range Thirty-three (33), and that unless the said Defendants be and appear at this Court, at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the Court House in the City of Maryville, in said County, on the 1st day of April next, and on or before the first day of said Term, unless further time be granted by the Court, answer or demur to the Petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is Further Ordered, that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in the Democrat-Forum, a newspaper published in said County of Nodaway for four weeks successively, published at least once a week, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said next April Term of this Court.

G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.
(Seal) By AMOS SPRECHER, Deputy

A true copy from the record.
Witness my hand, and seal of the Circuit Court of Nodaway County, this 9th day of February, 1918.

G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.
AMOS SPRECHER, D. C.

(1st insertion Feb. 9; last March 2)
ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, County of Nodaway, ss.
In the Circuit Court, April term, 1918.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that on this day Emily Lemon, Nellie Jones and Lillie Amy Garrett, petitioners herein, by their attorneys file their petition, verified by affidavit, alleging among other things that on or about the— day of ———— 1912, one James H. Lemon made, executed and delivered to the petitioners a certain warranty deed conveying to petitioners certain lands in Nodaway County, Missouri, described as follows, to wit:

The Northeast Fourth of the Northwest Quarter and the Northwest Fourth of the Northeast Quarter and five acres off of the West part of the Northeast Fourth of the Northeast Quarter, all in Section Six (6) in Township Sixty-five (65) of Range Thirty-six (36), Nodaway County, Missouri, same being a part of the home place where the said James H. Lemon then resided.

Said deed conveyed to the petitioner, Emily Lemon said lands for the term of her natural life with remainder to the petitioners Nellie Jones and Lillie Amy Garrett in equal parts.

That after the execution and delivery of said deed to petitioners the said deed was lost or destroyed. That said deed has not been recorded in the Recorder's office of Nodaway County, Missouri; that the said deed was executed by the said James H. Lemon and Emily Lemon, his wife, and praying the Court to hear such testimony as the petitioners may produce touching the execution, delivery and loss of said deed and their interests in the land therein described and to adjudge and determine according to the evidence so adduced by petitioners and that a decree will be entered in said cause at the next term of said court and the title or interest to or in said land adjudged to said petitioners according to the prayer of their petition and it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published according to law in the Democrat-Forum, a newspaper published in said Nodaway County, Missouri, once a week for at least four weeks, the last insertion to be at least four weeks prior to the April 1918 Term of said Court.

(Seal) G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.

A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand, and seal of the Circuit Court of Nodaway County, this 9th day of February, 1918.

G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

WANTS

THAT BRING RESULTS

RATES IN THIS COLUMN

Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one-half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

Ads running less than three days or interrupted insertions 1 cent per word each insertion.

Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for CASH with order. An extra charge of Five Cents will be made on all Want Ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Good list of prime real estate mortgage loans for disposal, in amounts to suit investors. See us for terms. Over Nodaway Valley Bank. The Sisson Loan & Title Co. 21tf

FOR SALE—Few S. C. Red cockerels. Inquire Mrs. Alfred Jones, Farmers 46-17. 12-14*

FOR SALE—Limited amount beardless barley seed, $2.00 bu. C. T. Barrow, Farmers 36-12. 13-15*

FOR SALE—30 bu. Reid's Yellow Dent seed corn; 15 bu. of White Cap. Frank O'Riley. 13-15

FOR SALE — Used upright piano, nearly new, absolutely as good as day it left factory, walnut case without blemish on it. Also used player piano, excellent condition, out only three years We sell used pianos under stronger guarantee, very often, than they were sold under by some other dealer who does not make a point of looking after all pianos sold as we do. You will have to come quickly if you want either of these two bargains. Landon Music Co. 8-14

FOR SALE—Roan yearling bull calf. Price right. Louis Lehmer, Farmers 45-12. 13-15*

PIANO BARGAIN—Someone in the vicinity of Maryville, by paying a small amount, can procure a good piano, slightly used, in very nice condition. Can arrange monthly payments if desired. Write for particulars. Olney Piano Co., P. O. Box 516, St. Joseph, Mo. 13-16*

FOR SALE—At the pavilion, Saturday, February 16, 3¼ wagon and carriage, heavy harness. All practically as good as new. J. J. Pyles. 13-15*

FOR SALE—Team of farm work horses, smooth mouth. 1516 East Halsey street, Han. 3496. 12-14*

FOR SALE—300 to 400 bu. hand picked corn, $1.50 per bushel. Harold Thompson, R 4, Maryville. 12-14*

FOR SALE — My 80-acre farm, 4 miles southwest of Ravenwood. Good 3 room house ,barn, hen house and other out buildings. Some fruit trees, grape vines, can all be cultivated. Write the owner, Mrs. Viola M. Douglas, 5714 Main street, Kansas City, Mo. 12-14

FOR SALE OR LEASE — 320-acre farm 3½ miles northwest Ravenwood, 9 miles east Maryville. Call Ravenwood Bank or see owner, Sylvester Moore, Friday and Saturday at Ravenwood. 14-16

MISCELLANEOUS

PLUMBING—We make a specialty of installing modern plumbing in old houses and remodeling old plumbing; estimates free. Standard Plumbing Co., Hanamo 46.

MARRIED MAN wants job on farm; has boy 15 years old will work also. Good reference. Inquire Democrat-Forum. 13-15

ATTENTION—11 head calves and 600 bu. good corn for sale. Terms cash. Don't hurry. Guy Stults. 13-15*

LOST—Round Mosaic pin, between Conservatory and C. Q. Smith's. Reward. Eleanor Smith. 12-14

IF YOU NEED seed corn, see M. C. Thompson, 307 N. Market St., east side of square. Hanamo 108, Farmers 41-15. 6tf

WANTED

I WANT a married man to work on farm for 6 months, a man that knows how to do things and will do them. R. T. Lamar, Elmo, Mo. 14-16*

WANTED — Competent housekeeper, experienced and reliable; none other need apply. Mrs. Ralph Eversole. 14-16

WANTED — Old corn, 1916 crop; send sample, stating amount you have and price wanted. $12.96 buys our Standard Goodwear Casing NON-Skid 30x3½ Guaranteed first quality 3500 mileage. All other sizes in proportion. We deliver them to your door. State Auto Supply Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. 14-15*

WANTED — Two girls at once Maryville Laundry. Hanamo 700. 14-tf

WANTED — The Democrat-Forum wants live correspondents at Barnard Burlington Junction, Skidmore, Guilford, Clearmont and Clyde. Write fo information. The Democrat-Forum. tf

WANTED—Delivery man, with car or horse preferred. Maryville Laundry. 11tf.

WANTED — To rent, about 6 room house close in, water and lights. Inquire at Democrat-Forum.

WANTED—Married man with small family that I can board with and will board extra help. J. Ward Stevenson, Graham, Mo.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—60 acre farm for cash rent. Inquire at this office or phone Farmers 91-15. 14-16

FOR RENT—5 acres in town, improved place, very cheap. Call quick. M. G. Tate. 13-15*

FOR RENT—Warm, clean room furnished for light housekeeping; references required. 216 E. 3rd. Hanamo 3041. 2tf

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Grain Market Future

Kansas City, Feb. 14.—CORN—May, $1.26.

Kansas City Live Stock

Kansas City, Feb. 14.—CATTLE — Receipts, 4,000; steers, $10.00@$13.75; cows, $8.00@$12.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000; top. $16.15; bulk, $15.85@$16.10.

Chicago Live Stock

Chicago, Feb. 14. — CATTLE—Receipts 14,000; market, steady.

HOGS—Receipts, 38,000; market, steady; top, $16.20.

St Joseph Live Stock

St. Joseph, Feb. 14.—CATTLE—Receipts 3,000; market 10@15 higher.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000; market, 10 higher; top, $16.10.

PRODUCE MARKET.

Springs, per lb	18c
Ducks, per lb	14c
Geese, per lb	14c
Old Roosters, per lb	10c
Hides, per lb.	10
Eggs, per doz.	40c
Cream, per lb.	50c

PREFER HOME PAPERS.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 14.—If you want to please your soldier boy at the front send him the home paper regularly. Soldiers returning here on furloughs from training camps declare that of all the mail received, the boys appear to most enjoy the home paper—no matter whether it is a big city daily or a little four-page country weekly.

WHY BE EDUCATED?

Wheeling, W. Va., Feb. 14.—Filling out a questionnaire with the aid of lawyers because he could not read or write, a local mill worker was asked how much money he was making.

"Twelve dollars a day," was the reply.

SNOW WORTH MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO WHEAT

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 14.—"Snowstorms and freezes which have been the heaviest Arkansas has ever experienced have been worth millions of collars to the wheat crop," said Governor Charles H. Brough of Arkansas, in an interview on agricultural prospects for 1918.

"Besides that," continued the governor, "it is worth millions of dollars to the cotton growers of the South, in that the severe weather has killed vast numbers of boll weevil."

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

BRINGING IT BACK

FLOUR AND SUGAR IS BEING RETURNED TO DEALERS

SOME HAD OVER-SUPPLY

In Some Cases Return Was Made at Instance of the Food Administrator Who Found Hoarding Practised

"I wish you would send one of your clerks out to the wagon and bring in some flour for me." The proprietor of a local grocery store looked up as one of his customers this morning made the request, and thinking there must be something the matter with the flour, asked what was wrong.

"Nothing wrong," replied the customer. "I've got more than the government allows and I want you to take it back so that some one else can have it. I want to do my bit, you know." The grocery man took i tback and returned the amount he had paid for it.

Inquiry at other stores where food commodities are sold disclosed the fact that a number of persons who have purchased more than the amount of flour and sugar allowed have returned it, following the announcement that excess food supplies must be returned.

At three stores in Maryville the proprietors said that flour and sugar in excess of the amount allowed had been returned within the past two days. It was also learned that in several cases the return had been made at the instance of the county food administrator, who had learned of an over-supply in certain families. In most cases, however, the goods were purchased before the order regulating the amount that might be brought was issued.

It is the purpose of the food administrator to investigate every case of reported hoarding and insist that over supplies be returned to the dealer and dealers have strict orders to sell but the regulation amount to one person. Some, however, made like purchases at several stores and the dealer is not in position to know what supplies they have on hand.

Left for Home.

Mrs. Charley McKee and two children, who have been visiting relatives in Maryville and Pickering, left Tuesday for their home in Hitchcock, S. Dak. They were accompanied home by Mrs. McKee's brother-in-law, Wallace McKee, of Pickering.

Dr. Karl R. Malotte, Chester Bennett and John Vert attended a meeting of th eOdd Fellows lodge at Wilcox. After the lodge, a supper was served.

Ed Johnson of Burlington Junction was a Maryville visitor today.

Dan Stundon of Arkoe is in Maryville today.

LIGHTS OF SHINAGAWA BAY

Physical Phenomena in Japanese Waters Said to Have Been Caused by Countless Animalculi.

Strange lights hover over the waters of Japan at various places. The burning spring that appears at intervals of several years in one of the land locked bays is a natural phenomenon that has attracted the attention of the scientific world. A new and curious spectacle made its appearance in Shinagawa bay recently, when a myriad of pale green lights shone in the placid waters and attracted thousands of spectators to the shore, East and West News states.

The savants of Japan are giving much attention to this curious freak of nature. One college professor likened the exhibition to the innumerable lights off the coast of Chikusen and Chikugo in Kyushu. The latter lights, however, are of a yellow-red, orange color, whereas those in Shinagawa bay were pale green.

Doctor Kishigami of the college of agriculture in the Tokyo imperial university collected a quantity of water from the bay. He has declared that the light is caused by countless animalculi. He describes these insects as gymnogyniums, belonging to the class Flagellata. Each measures one twelve-hundredth of an inch and has an alimentary canal. These insects must have been always present in the waters of that bay, but an excess of vegetable matter in the water so fattened and stimulated the animalculi that they became unusually luminous. The learned professor cites the appearance of the same phenomena at Hamburg in 1830, since which time no record exists of its recurrence until lately. The insects live at the bottom of the sea and come to the surface on rare occasions for oxygen.

Record Broken.

The total value of the mineral production of the country in 1916 was more than $3,470,000,000, increasing $1,076,200,000, or 45 per cent over the $2,393,800,000 recorded for 1915, and exceeding the former record year (1913) by more than $1,000,000,000, according to the geological survey, department of the interior.

OLD PAPERS for sale at this office.

THE SISSON LOAN & TITLE CO.

MARYVILLE, MISSOURI

Real Estate, Loans and Insurance

Counting Rooms Over Nodaway Valley Bank
Best Terms Ever Offered—See Us.

To All War Savers

Many people who have lately given their pledge to buy *WAR SAVING STAMPS* are under the impression these stamps will be delivered to them by the Committee—Such is not the case.

THE TORCH OF LIBERTY

W.S.S.

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

However, War Stamps Will be Delivered to You by Your Postman,

But You Must Tell Him The Amount You Will Take.

Don't think that the solicitors will not get the proper credit. They already have. But the committee will be compelled to call upon you if you don't buy yours immediately (we refer to your cash pledge only).

Can You Afford to Lose This War?
Have You Handed in Your Pledge?
You Who Have Not Enlisted in the "Army of Savers" Don't Wait to be Solicited

Farmers Buy War Stamps of Your Mail Carriers.
Buy Today of Your Merchants Who Supports This Campaign

Alderman-Yehle D. G. Co.
Maryville Furn. Co.
Townsend Wholesale Gro. Co.
D. R. Eversole & Son
Bee Hive Shoe Store
Montgomery Shoe Co.
H. L. Haines
Schumacher Grocery Co.
Price & McNeal
Maryville Feed & Milling Co.
G. R. Ellison
First National Bank
Farmers Trust Co.
Nodaway Valley Bank
Real Estate Bank
Maryville Drug Co.
Garrett Hardware Co.
Maryville Publishing Co. (Democrat-Forum)
J. F. Hull (Tribune)
W. M. Wallis, Jr., until called for service.
Chas. T. Bell
P. O. Landon
Maryville Elec. Lt. & Pr. Co.
Hanamo Telephone Co.
Kuchs Bros.
Graham-Latimer Co.
F. P. Reuillard
F. W. Crow
N. Y. Candy Kitchen
Holmes Jewelry Co.
J. C. Kessler
Wadley Bros.
Hudson & Welch
Murphy Clothing Co.
Orear-Henry Drug Co.
R. S. Braniger
L. S. Byers
Corwin-Murrin Clothing Co.

Fololwing is a list of additional sales stations where stamps may be purchased:
Maryville High School
State Normal School
Wabash and Burlington Depots
Red Cross Auxiliaries
Adams and Wells Fargo Express Offices

DAILY DEMOCRAT-FORUM

NEWS DISPATCHES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

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WAR WORK BEING PUSHED RAPIDLY

PRESIDENT AND AIDS CULLING UNDESIRABLE PARTS FROM THE BIG WAR MACHINE

TREMENDOUS RESULTS DESPITE OBSTACLES

Mistakes Developed by the Committee Hearings Are Being Remedied—Assurance That U-Boat Menace Soon to Be Overcome

(By W. C. Van Cleve)

Washington, Feb. 10.—The flurry of excitement caused in political circles by the break between President Wilson and Senator Chamberlain has about died away and the governmental operations are going ahead in a normal way. The prominence of Senator Chamberlain, who has acted for a year past as the administration spokesman on military matters in the senate, and his sweeping declarations as to war preparations, naturally gave to the incident more than ordinary attention. This was augmented by the sharpness of the president's retort and his unqualified contradiction of the senator's assertions.

Senator Chamberlain was invited to speak before a distinguished body in the city of New York, and did so. During that speech, apparently swept on by the enthusiasm of the occasion, he allowed his oratory to overcome ordinary discretion and made sweeping statements which should have been materially curtailed and qualified. It was an unfortunate and ill-advised hour that brought forth language that could not be substantiated.

The amazement at his sweeping declarations was followed by the hardly less surprising answer of the president. The gravity of the situation was pronounced and the president, for the first time during his administration, cast aside his usual dignity and poise and laid the foundation for an Ananias club.

While the incident was annoying and regrettable, good will, no doubt, come of it. The facts are these: No country has ever accomplished so much in the way of war preparation in so short a time. As pointed out in these columns before, it was a tremendous undertaking, and tremendous results have been accomplished. In the rapid accumulation and organization of such a great war machine there have necessarily been mistakes made. Most of them have been errors of judgment, but there has been a certain amount of profiteering, and it is no discredit to the administration that such has been the case. These facts have been developed in the hearing held by the committees on military affairs and their publication is the surest guarantee of their correction. While these objectionable incidents were of small importance in comparison with the excellence of the work as a whole, their publication served to center criticism upon the secretary of war. Sec-

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ARE DOING EFFICIENT WORK

Rural Schools in Vitalized Agriculture Are Being Visited This Week by Miss Markley

The five rural schools in Nodaway county that have been doing work in vitalized agriculture, the new plan proposed and developed by P. G. Holden, are doing most efficient work, according to Miss Markley, assistant to Mr. Holden, who is here this week to check up their progress. Miss Markley finds that the pupils take a lively interest in the plan and are unusually efficient in demonstrating what they have learned. Rain today prevented a visit to Mt. Pleasant school. However she will remain for the balance of the week to finish the work.

Miss Markley was instructor in Ames College when Prof. Holden taught there and for two years has been associated with him in his agriculture extension and development work for the International Harvester company.

PAY MORE FOR JITNEY RIDES

Drivers Agree to Increase the Price From Ten to Fifteen Cents — Four Stations Here Now

Along with other kinds of "less" days some of us will be forced to get along with "jitney-less" days. The price of rides has gone up. Instead of paying a dime to go from one part of the city to another, or from the depot to the residence section, you must hand over fifteen cents.

Notice of the raise in jitney rates is made by all the drivers doing business and the increasing cost of repairs, tires, gasoline and oil is given as the reason.

Within the past month two stations have quit business, Fred Diss and Art Harmon at the old Knox garage. There are now four jitney stations, Moberly's, Pearl Taylor, Lon Fordyce and Scott.

SECONDDRAFT IN MAY ORJUNE

Next Call Will Not Be Made For Some Time, Chairman Dent of Military Committee Says

Washington, Feb. 14.—The second draft call probably will not be made before May or June, Representative Flood stated on the floor of the House yesterday afternoon. Chairman Dent of the military committee confirms Flood's statement, saying he had information from the war department that the call will not be made for "some time."

JUDGE DEBATING CONTESTS

Public School and Normal Teachers Go to Maitland and Barnard

County Superintendent Bert Cooper and Prof. S. E. Davis of the Normal will go to Maitland tomorrow evening to act as judges in a debate between the pupils of the Maitland and Burlington Junction schools. Superintendent McDonald of the city schools and Prof. Harry Miller of the Normal will go to Barnard to act in like capacity in a debate between the pupils of the Barnard and Guilford schools.

ARTILLERY DUELS AT CAMBRAI.

London, Feb. 14. — Only artillery duels on the north front and south of Cambrai, it was reported today.

BAND MAY NOT COME

COST TO BRING ORGANIZATION HERE WOULD BE $1,000

NO DECISION REACHED

With Maryville's Share of Cost Placed at $600 It Is Believed That the Project Will Be Dropped

It is believed that the proposal by the Maryville Commercial Club and the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce to secure the Fourth Regiment band from Camp Doniphan to come for a series of concerts before the regiment is transferred "somewhere" will be dropped following the information as to the cost of bringing the organization to the two cities. It is learned that the cost of transportation alone will reach $1,000, and this together with other expense of feeding the men and incidental expenses would make the cost a considerable item.

Maryville's share of the expenses in connection with the bringing of the band here would be approximately $600, and it is the opinion of many that with the government urging conservation along all lines that to expend that amount for a few hours of pleasure in hearing the band and having the boys at home for a day would be an ill-advised extravagance at this time.

There are twenty-eight men in the band and with a drum major and other aids the number would reach over thirty. The secretary of war has advised that permission would be given to troops and band organizations to visit neighboring cities and towns that the people might see them in parades and concerts.

The Fourth Regiment band is acknowledged one of the crack organizations of the Camp Doniphan regiments. Harold Maulding of Maryville, bandmaster, is one of the youngest men in the service occupying a similar position.

CLASSIFY 148 MEN

BOARD SENDS FINAL STATUS NOTICE TO REGISTRANTS

MAJORITY IN CLASS 4A

Married Men With Dependents Placed In Deferred Class — Will Be Last Called for Service

One hundred and forty-seven registrants have been sent notice of deferred classification for service, which is the equivalent of a temporary discharge. The majority are given deferred classification because of being married and having dependents, being placed in 4A. Physical unfitness has placed several men in class 5G. Dependent relatieves has placed seven in the deferred classification.

Notice of final classification was sent to the following men:

Harry Emerson Noah, Conception Jct., 4A.

Andrew Byrd Lockhart, Parnell, 4A.

James Conklin, Jr., Maryville, 4A.

Jesse V. Linville, Skidmore, 4A.

Wm. Pratt Masters, Maryville, 4A.

Fred Earl Daniels, Barnard, 4A.

Fackler G. Brown, Tonganoxie, Ks., 4A.

Glen Branson Green, Conception Jct.

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FOR SCHMIDT'S JOB

A HUGHES TOWNSHIP DEMOCRAT TO GET ENDORSEMENT

RESIGNATION TO GOV.

Retiring County Court Member Is Pleased With Choice of Leaders and Adds His Endorsement

Judge C. P. Schmidt, member of the county court from the southern district, this morning mailed his resignation to Governor Gardner, following his decision some days ago to remove to Colorado, where he will make his future home. Judge Schmidt withheld his resignation until today in order that leaders in his district might have time to consider any available candidates for the place, and it is learned that a well known resident of Hughes township will have the endorsement of the leaders of both parties and that recommendations have been sent to Governor Gardner asking the appointment. The name of the candidate is requested withheld until Judge Schmidt's resignation is in the hands of the governor.

The man who will receive the endorsement is a Democrat, and to the endorsement of the leaders of the southern district will be added that of Judge Schmidt, who was asked to aid in the selection of a progressive man to serve the unexpired term. It is expected the appointment will be made by Governor Gardner within a few days.

Judge Schmidt expects to leave about the middle of next month for his new home and will, in all probability, not sit at the next term of county court which occurs about that time. He has practically made all preparation for disposing of his property and will announce the date of his sales within a few days.

FORCE PEACE ON AUSTRIA?

Intensive Pressure Is Being Brought to Bear to Compel Negotiations It Is Learned

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14. — Intensive pressure within and without is being brought about to compel Austria to negotiate for peace. The situation within the dual empire is such, officials here said today, that possible steps toward that end will cause no surprise in the near future. Confidential official and diplomatic advices reaching here today from Swiss sources confirmed this view. Officials refused point blank to discuss these dispatches; some even deny knowledge of them. However, it is a known fact that such word was received here and is now in possession of the president and Secretary Lansing.

TO ROAD MEN'S CONVENTION

County Court Judges and Commercial Club Secretary Expect to Attend Highway Engineers' Meeting

Judge W. M. Blackford, presiding judge of the county court, expects to attend the annual meeting of county highway engineers, to be held at Kansas City on February 27-28. Judge Hepburn will, in all probability, also attend. Judge Schmidt had expected to join them, but on account of getting ready to move to Colorado will cancel the appointment.

All county judges in Missouri are urged to attend this convention, to be held at the Muelebach hotel, and in addition to the splendid program arranged by the county highway engineers, the state highway department will conduct illustrated lectures and provide an exhibit of road and bridge models. Men prominent in road construction and maintenance will explain modern and approved methods and general discussions following each number on the program will enable everyone present to ask questions and to have them properly and satisfactorily answered. The complete program of the county highway engineers' meeting will be announced in this paper next week. All county judges, engineers, road overseers and road enthusiasts are urged to attend this convention.

E. M. Claypool, secretary of the Commercial Club, also expects to attend the meeting.

BILL ASKS 1,107 MILLIONS

Largest Urgent Deficiency Measure Ever Presented to Congress Introduced by Committee Chairman

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14. — The largest urgent deficiency bill ever presented to an American congress was introduced in the house this afternoon by the chairman of the appropriations committee. It carries a deficiency appropriation totaling $1,107,220,000. One of the most important appropriations is the one carrying $8,152,000 for the construction of buildings to house the government department in Washington.

Everett Roof of Ravenwood was in Maryville on business today.

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* THE WEATHER *

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Partly cloudy and much colder tonight; Friday unsettled and colder.

FOOD CARDS NEXT?

HOOVER SEEKS WAY TO HALT INCREASING FOOD CONSUMPTION

GET STARTLING FACTS

Business Enterprises Owned by Aliens Government Piling Up Huge Profits to Help Germany Win War

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Startling facts connected with the government war activities were revealed here and some striking statements were made by high government officials. Alien property, Custodian Palmer said, in its operation of business enterprises owned by alien governments, is piling up huge profits to be turned over to Germany to end the war. Hoover hinted that food tickets may be issued to compel conservation if no other way is found to halt the increasing food consumption. Secretary of State Lansing said the American dollar is worth seventy-five cents in any European, South American or Oriental country.

LLOYD GEORGE AGAIN VICTOR

British Premier Successfully Weathers Another Political Storm, Following a Two Days' Debate

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

London, Feb. 14.—Premier Lloyd George has successfully weathered another political storm and today emerged victorious from a two days debate over the conduct of the war in the House of Commons. Sensational reports which were current have begun to die down.

Parliamentary correspondent of the Chronicle, in his commentary, said that the rumor that Sir William Robertson would be retired as chief of the British general staff has been pronounced false and he is unable to find any foundation for reports that a cabinet crisis was imminent.

THE BEE HIVE HAS BIRTHDAY

Twenty-three Years Ago Today W. A. Miller Started in Business — 14 Years in Present Location

Twenty-three years ago today W. A. Miller, owner of the Bee Hive shoe store, started in business in Maryville in the building now occupied by Moberly's jitney station. He remained in that building for one year and then moved his store to the building on the north side of the square now occupied by August Stapler. Mr. Miller remained in that building eight years and then moved to his present location on North Main street.

Only five men in Maryville have been in business longer than Mr. Miller. They are: D. R. Eversole, owner of a dry goods store; M. Nusbaum and Clark Weaver, who own clothing stores. Nick Schumacher, owner of a grocery store, and W. H. Hudson, who is in the hardware business.

Mr. Hudson has been in business in Maryville for fifty years, while Mr. Nusbaum started in business February 22, 1873, or forty-five years ago.

Mr. Miller is one of Maryville's most successful merchants, and while he suffered a heavy loss in the fire which swept Maryville two weeks ago, his place of business was only closed a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Morren Forbes left Monday for Polo, Mo., where they will make their home.

Read The First Installment "Over The Top" in This Paper To-Day

Over the Top

By an American Soldier Who *Went*

ARTHUR GUY EMPEY

When the Lusitania was sunk Arthur Guy Empey decided that he could not wait for his country to declare war—so he sailed without orders for England, and enlisted as a Canadian.

He recounts this incident in "OVER THE TOP" in less than five hundred words. In a few thousand more words he completes his experiences in England—and after that he is in France—for the greater part of the eighteen months before he was invalided home, in the "Front Line Trenches."

"OVER THE TOP" is the first story by one of the American soldiers who went to France, has been a real combatant and has seen long service in the trenches.

Sergeant Empey tells what it actually means and feels like:

to be wounded seven times;
to live for a year and a half with mud and rats and shells;
to be covered with "cooties" and never to get rid of them;
to go "over the top" in a charge;
to grasp for your gas helmet when a second's delay mean's death;
to capture a Prussian;
to get tangled up in barb-wire with that machine gun working a few yards away;
to lie for thirty-six hours wounded and unconscious in "No Man's Land."

For a year and a half, until he fell wounded in "No Man's Land" this American soldier saw more actual fighting and real warfare than any war correspondent who has written about the war. His experiences are grim, but they are thrilling, and lightened by a touch of humor as original as the Soldiers Three. And they are True.

The Greatest War Story Ever Written

We take pleasure in announcing that we have secured serial rights to this remarkable story and that it will appear in installments

IN THIS NEWSPAPER ***It Is the Real Stuff!***

Basket Ball——

Kansas City Polytechnic Institute vs. State Normal School

Friday, February 15, 8:15 p. m.

Normal Gymnasium

Kansas City Polytechnic Institute defeated our team at Kansas City by a score of 24 to 26. This promises to be a close and interesting game

Admission 50 cents

NOTICE——

All Sir Knights of Maryville Commandery No. 40 K. T. are hereby notified that a regular conclave of said commandery will be held at Oddfellows hall, MONDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 18, at 7:30 p. m.

Attest: U. S. WRIGHT, Recorder

By Order of F. C. WALLIS, Commander

Basket Ball——

MARYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL vs. BENTON OF ST. JOSEPH

Thursday, Feb. 14, 7:30 p.m.

At Normal Gymnasium

Admissiom 25 cents

Feature Tonight

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Show begins at 7:30

11 and 17 cents

Paramount Pictures, with

FANNIE WARD

The Emotional Actress, in

The Crystal Gazer

Methods of Fake Hypnotism.

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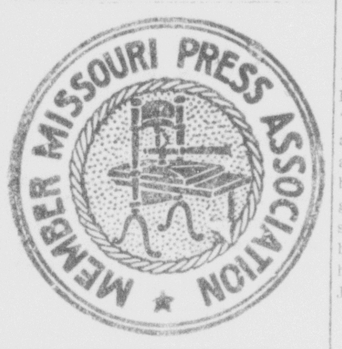

DOUGHNUTS MUST GO, TOO

The Food Administration Thoroughly Disapproves of Them—Take Too Much Fat

Has the death knell of the doughnut been sounded? We hear strange rumors from Washington to the effect that the good old New England invention has won the hearty disapproval of the food administration and that a ban is about to be placed on its production.

The addition of sugar or fats to the dough in making bread or rolls, during the baking or afterwards, has already been condemned by the bakers, and so we take it that the bun goes into the limbo of fond recollections until after the war. There are various other sweetened breads with which we have to dispense, so far as the public bakeries are concerned. The call for the conservation of sugar and fats is becoming particularly strenuous. Personally, we shall not mind the absence of the bun, but the doughnut seems like an old friend. The anti-doughnut move is a severe blow. No doubt it is inspired by patriotic motives rather than prejudice, but the doughnut is a simple and a harmless thing, after all, and it is to be feared than counsel for the defense if such there were in the judicial deliberations, failed to plead its case adequately.

Doughnuts, it has been claimed, soak up fat which we do not need. True, more's the pity, in the case of too many doughnuts. But when properly made and expertly fried the amount of fat they soak up is negligible. The process calls for a generous amount of fat, to be sure, but it should not represent much waste. Doughnut fat, as we understand it, can be used over and over again. But if the experts have spoken we suppose there is no help for it. A good many of the comfortable little things seem to be going out of our lives. Competent authority has denounced pie for breakfast, and now we are confronted by the doughnutless breakfast.

Young Women Awaiting The Great Crisis

Of all the vital times in life, the birth of a baby is the climax of nature's most wonderful evolution. After a period of anxious waiting, the hour arrives for the advent of a new life. Nature must be aided during this waiting period if the pain and danger of the crisis is to be avoided.

Three generations have found great relief from the many discomforts of approaching motherhood, by the safe, time-honored massage, "Mother's Friend".

It gently softens every fibre, cord, tendon and ligament. The drawn skin becomes soft and elastic. Tension and strain upon the expanding abdominal muscles is relieved when baby arrives; morning sickness or nausea usually is not felt and the crisis is passed with infinitely less pain and danger.

"Mother's Friend" has been used by expectant mothers with the greatest success for over forty years.

Get a bottle from the druggist today and write the Bradfield Regulator Co., Dept. E, 200 Lamar Building, Atlanta, Ga., for a valuable book brimful of useful information. The book will be mailed to you without charge. Do not by any means neglect to begin the use of "Mother's Friend"; the preparation is undoubtedly a real and wonderful aid to nature in her work.

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ADVERTISED LETTERS.

Following is a list of the letters remaining unclaimed in the Maryville Mo., postoffice for the week ending Wednesday, February 13, 1918.

Men.

Johnston, Sam
Lawson, Jno. B.
Matthews, Henry

Women.

Anderson, Miss Helen
Berry, Miss Agnes and Dude
Carpenter, Mrs. Ida
Nicholson, Mrs. Mildred

Persons calling for the above named letters will please say "advertised." Respectfully,

JAMES TODD, Postmaster.

Hopkins Boy In France.

Leland Walters, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Walters, formerly of Hopkins, and who will be remembered as "Doc" by his boy chums, is now an aide to General Pershing in France and is credited with being one of the best gunners in the service. Before going to France he was in several skirmishes during the Mexican trouble and acquitted himself with great honor. He is 22 years old.—Hopkins Journal.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

TO-DAY

Editorial Notes by Arthur Brisbane

When Dr. Garfield talks to a group of American business men, as he does every day, they go away realizing that a first class business man has been talking to them. He is very quiet, patient, asks for criticism, insists that it shall be CONSTRUCTIVE and furnish some details and suggestions for improvement.

The doctor, it is true, has a rather high brow. But the works back of it have developed coal mines, built roads, factories, office buildings, operated and made successful a big water works enterprise and constructed on a solid foundation one of the country's successful trust companies.

It is just as well to know these facts before you criticise Woodrow Wilson for putting the coal problem "in the hands of a theorist who knows nothing about coal or business problems."

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You may have to wait awhile, or you may learn that the spreading of the Austrian and Prussian agitation in Germany has made waiting unnecessary.

The important thing is to make it clear that the United States means what the president has said, namely, that this country wants the right kind of a peace, will not accept the wrong kind, and, regardless of what others will do, will fight on until the right peace is forthcoming. Make Prussia know that and the peace dove will come bobbing in, bedraggled, but alive.

All through the war Spain has acted like an old lady crossing the street, doubtful whether to let the automobile go ahead of her or run over her.

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The chief murderers in Prussia are as well pleased with their work as ever—but the little men sent out to do the killing are getting tired of it. Scheidemann is doing some plain talking that must make the well-preserved, well-fed and entirely unwounded seven Hohenzollerns — one father and six sons—do considerable worrying.

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Suggestions to Mr. Hoover, governors of states, mayors of cities:

You know that war demands more than the entire supply of ammonia.

Ammonia is essential in refrigerating processes and in making artificial ice.

There is no excuse this winter for failure to harvest a gigantic ice crop.

Old barns, buildings of all kinds, at slight expense, can be made into fairly good ice houses.

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War is picturesque as well as horrible.

What would Jules Verne have said in Paris the other night when German airships attacked the great city?

There came the noise of dynamite from the sky. Alarms were sounded all over the city, then in the air above began bursting the "star shells," magnificent fireworks sent up by the French to light the air and reveal the attacking Germans.

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Everything looks like it, and as we have occasionally said, PEACE IS COMING.

Prussia is repeating the experiment of the man who tried to keep his horse working without hay. The horse died.

The Prussian doesn't quite die; to his credit be it said, he rebels. A million Germans have stopped work, tired of being half fed.

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Hamburg in a state of seige.

Hindenburg threatening to shoot down German workers—and some of them shot already.

Russia with no food to send to Germany.

South Germany showing the old hatred of Prussia—now that the "will to victory" fever is subsiding.

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All good signs, Peace signs.

As a guarantee of good faith, a million and a half Americans at least will go to Europe and go into the fight at the front. Twenty-five thousand of their brothers in the air, dropping bombs on munition plants, will make horribleness unpopular, and much trench fighting unnecessary. The way to kill a rattlesnake is without touching him.

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A good deal of the milk in the German cocoanut is contained in this statement by Scheidemann, German Socialist leader, to the Reichstag:

"Suppose the army conquered France and England, would that mean peace? I say no, for we would still have to conquer America."

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The Austrians are getting tired of starving for the glory and convenience of Prussia. Austria may soon give a good imitation of Russia. The Hapsburgs have all the disadvantages of the Hohenzollerns with the additional disadvantage of being lazy and incompetent.

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"The culminating crisis of the struggle has come. The achievements of THIS YEAR MUST DETERMINE THE ISSUE."—Woodrow Wilson to the farmers.

This means that the president believes the war will be won THIS YEAR.

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"Pan-Germans" are describing the kaiser as Judas and "Hangman," urging revolt.

Hatred, bottled up in the German people, will surprise the kaiser and the world when it breaks.

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Death falling from the sky, courage flying up to meet it, and heaven and the earth lighted with the glare of artificial bursting stars.

Is that romantic enough to suit you?

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Training millions of men in efficient "horribleness" works well while those qualities turn against Belgian women and children.

A different story when horribleness turns on the imperial palace.

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The Cro Magnon, Brachycephalic candidate, in his visit to Washington, reminds you of a little boy that rings the doorbell and runs before anyone can get to the door.

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The kaiser will know how Louis XVI felt when he appeared, white and trembling, on the balcony of the palace before the growling crowd, wearing the tri-color, trying, too late, to placate the people.

TOWNSEND'S

North Side -:- Cash Grocer

The Habit is Growing

Stopping in at this store to buy your foods is a mighty good habit to get into—the money you save makes it real interesting

On Friday You Can Buy

Fresh country butter, per lb	40c	Good quality Calif. evaporated peaches per lb	10c
2 lbs for	75c	Thompson's seedless raisins, large pkgs	15c
Good clean cooking butter, per lb	32c	Alber's Wheat Flakes, per pkg	20c
Small sweet oranges, dozen	25c	Fresh parsnips and carrots, 7 lbs	25c
Fresh lettuce, per lb	30c	Runkle's Chocolate, No. 1, large cake	20c
Fancy Jonathan apples, pk	60c	100 lb sacks crushed shell	80c
Libby's Hanover sour kraut, gal	25c	Best bulk cocoa, per lb	30c
Calif. Lima beans, 3 lbs	50c	High grade peanut butter, per lb	25c
Rio Roasted Coffee, 20c kind, lb	15c	100 lb sacks oyster shells	90c
6lb net weight pails lake fish	$1.00	Best quality western sugar corn, can	11c
8lb net weight pails lake fish	$1.15	Pure sorghum, gal pails	90c
Spiced Rolled Herring, 2 for	15c	halves 45c; cans	20c
Russian Sardines, 6 for	25c	4 lbs large Spanish onions	25c
Imperial codfish (boneless) per bx	30c	Empson's Colorado string beans, per can	15c
B. & M. fish flakes, best of all cod fish, can	15c	6 bars Bob White laundry soap	25c
No. 80's grape fruit, 2 for	15c	Log Cabin Maple and Cane Syrup, 25c, 50 and $1.00 can for	22c, 43c and 85c
No. 46's grape fruit, each	10c	Large red Globe onions, bu	$1.40
Troco, substitute for butter, lb	35c	peck	40c
Macaroni or Spaghetti, 3 pkgs	25c	Pettyjohn's Calif. wheat flakes with bran, pkg	20c
Jack Frost buckwheat, per ukg	12½c	Health Club baking powder, 25c cans for	18c
Best 8c matches, per box	5c	15c cans for	12c
5c sacks table salt, 5 for	15c	Santos Peaberry Roasted Coffee, lb	25c; 4½ lbs $1.00
10c shoe blacking, tan or black	5c	1 lb cans Crystal baking powder	10c
New Calif. prunes, per lb	10c	80c Eng. Breakfast Tea, per ½ lb	27c
Extra large meaty prunes, per lb	15c	Dr. Price's Drinkit, per tin	22c
Fancy evap. apricots, per lb	25c	Lipton's Yellow Label Tea, per can	10c, 22c, 40c and 70c
Choice quality apricots, per lb	20c		
Extra No. 1 genuine white fish (large) per lb	20c		
No 1 can Alaska Pink Salmon	18c		
No. 2 cans red beans	10c		
No. 2 size cans tomatoes	9c		

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FIND TAX SLACKERS

DISAPPOINTING RETURNS FROM SOME MISSOURI COUNTIES

POLITICS PLAY A PART

Regardless of Returns All Property Will Be Assessed Same Basis, Says Chairman of State Commission

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 13.—Chairman Cornelius Roach of the State Tax Commission looks for disappointing tax returns from a number of Missouri counties. He made up a list of counties which he says are "slackers" in assessments under the new tax laws.

The counties listed are: Jackson, including Kansas City, Buchanan, including St. Joseph, Jasper, Marion and Monroe counties. Disappointing returns from St. Louis, also are expected.

"Regardless of the returns made by assessors who have political ambitions," said Mr. Roach, "all property in the state will be assessed on the same basis by the Tax Commission."

Reports from nearly all the 114 counties in the state now in the hands of the commission show that the assessments in rural Missouri have been increased from 200 to 300 per cent except in the "slacker" counties.

The Jackson county assessment is $292,003,710, an increase of only $54,000,000 or about 25 per cent over last year's assessment.

The tax assessment of Buchanan county is $81,000,000, an increase of only $23,000,000. The assessment of Marion county is $16,524,038 as compared with 11,459,516 last year.

Monroe county increased its assessment from $9,342,556 to $9,924,380.

BARNARD

Mrs. Tom Smith visited with friends in Kansas City this week.

Frank Drydale, who has been very sick, is reported much improved.

Roy Hainey, one of our rural mail carriers, will soon leave for an army training camp.

L. J. Mendenhall is in Kansas this week demonstrating two large tractors for the Aultman & Taylor Co., of Kansas City.

Billy Curnut, who has been quite sick, is reported some better.

Lewis Comer of Ravenwood spent Saturday and Sunday the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ridlon.

Charley Evans, the Parnell auctioneer, was in town on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cross expect to leave soon for their new home in Savannah where Mr. Cross will be manager of a store.

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Stop Itching Eczema

Never mind how often you have tried and failed, you can stop burning, itching eczema quickly by applying a little zemo furnished by any druggist for 35c. Extra large bottle, $1.00. Healing begins the moment zemo is applied. In a short time usually every trace of eczema, tetter, pimples, rash, blackheads and similar skin diseases will be removed.

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You can feel this take hold of a cough in a way that means business. It loosens and raises the phlegm, stops throat tickle and soothes and heals the irritated membranes that line the throat and bronchial tubes with such promptness, ease and certainty that it is really astonishing.

Pinex is a special and highly concentrated compound of genuine Norway pine extract, and is noted for its speed in overcoming severe coughs, tight and chest colds. Its millions of enthusiastic users have made it famous the world over.

There are many worthless imitations of this noted mixture. To avoid disappointment, ask for "2½ ounces of Pinex" with full directions and don't accept anything else. A guarantee of absolute satisfaction or money promptly refunded, goes with this preparation. The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

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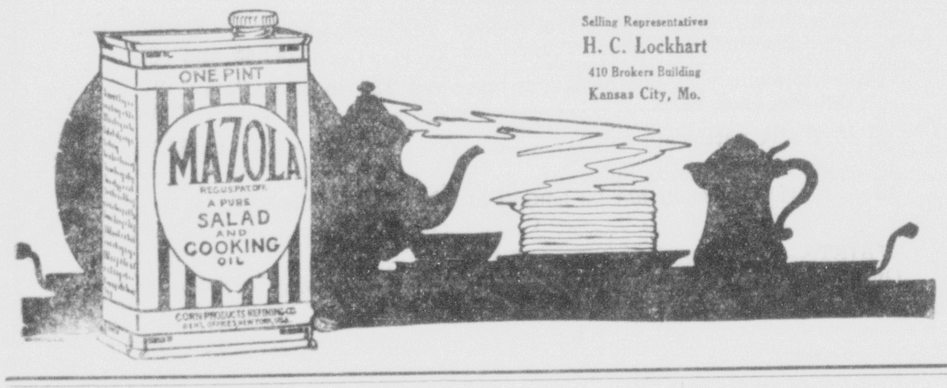

News at Hopkins

Mrs. Robert Coleman will have a closing out sale Monday and will move to Maryville.

The Red Cross ladies served lunch at the Lasley sale Thursday and will also serve lunch at the Coleman sale Monday.

John Whitten came up Sunday from Camp Funston, returning in a few hours. He thinks he will remain only about a week longer at Camp Funston, but does not know where he will go. Some of the Hopkins boys have already gone over seas.

Miss Adams, the evangelist, who is holding meetings at the M. E. church, is having good crowds and creating a great deal of interest.

The high school boys as well as the girls are taking a great deal of interest in Red Cross work, using a part of each Friday afteroon in knitting and sewing.

George Gray and family have moved into the property of Miss Della Nash in east Hopkins.

Evert Lasley gave a closing out sale last Thursday and will move to Washington where he expects the climate will greatly benefit his health.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gray are the parents of a son, born February 6, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank New are rejoicing over the arrival of twin daughters, born February 9, Mrs. New herself being one of twin sisters.

Arthur McMaster came up from Meadville, Mo., Saturday to visit a few days with friends and relatives, Mrs. McMaster having come several days ago and will return home with Mr. McMaster.

Harry Jones was here Saturday to oversee the shipping of his goods to St. Joseph.

Newt Butts will give a closing out sale and with his family will move west hoping to improve his health.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Whitney, who have been quite sick with throat trouble, are both much improved.

Jack Moorehead came down from Bedford to visit over Sunday with home folks.

No meetings were held at any of the churches Sunday night, except the Methodist, the other congregations meeting with them in their services.

Milt Adams of Kansas and a nephew of Mrs. Tom Applegate visited with her last week.

News at Clearmont.

Donald Dowell is sick with pneumonia. A nurse from Omaha is attending him.

The twin girls born to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cooper last week died Tuesday and were buried Wednesday. Mrs. Cooper is reported as dangerously ill.

Mrs. Linebaugh, who has been sick for several days is improving.

The Yeomen are planning for a big time February 25 at the I. O. O. F hall, when a class of 50 will be initiated. P. A. Stark, state manager, will deliver an address on Yeomanry. Special music will be furnished and the usual eats afterwards.

Albert Orme, who has been working for Valdo Lawrence, moved last Friday to the John Wolfe farm east of Braddyville, where he will work the coming year.

Ross Burch returned home Tuesday from Fremont, Nebr., where he has been visiting relatives.

Thos. Gray and sister, Mrs. S. T. Davison, went to Braddyville Tuesday to visit relatives.

Fred Horn of Elmo was in town Wednesday.

Jacob Burch and wife returned home Wednesday from a six weeks' visit in California and Colorado.

Jas. Milbank shipped a car of cattle to St. Joseph Friday.

C. J. Burch and wife came down from Clarinda Friday to visit relatives. Mr. Burch is the father of Mrs. W. T. Humphry.

W. J. Mulnix, district manager of the Yeoman Lodge, was in town Friday and Saturday.

W. C. McCullough of Blanchard, Ia., was in town Friday and Saturday.

Clearmont was in darkness Friday and Saturday nights, owing to the damage done the line by the sleet and wind.

Farmers are rejoicing over the rain and snow that fell Friday and Friday night. Quite a number report their wheat in good condition.

Public sales are getting numerous over the country. O. O. Gregory, Willie Henry and Zola Beaver each has a sale this week.

The school board engaged Miss Audrey Benson of Grant City to fill the unexpired term of Prof. Noblet, who resigned to go on a farm.

Edgar Pence is confined to his bed with tonsilitis.

A number from here went to Maryville to take the examination for rural mail carrier to fill the vacancy at this place.

Grandmother Was the Druggist.

In the early days of our country grandmother was the druggist, and her drugs consisted mostly of roots and herbs gathered from the fields and forests. There was peppermint for indigestion, mullen for coughs, skullcap for nervousness, thoroughwort for colds, wormwood for bruises and sprains, and so on. They were successful remedies, too. It was from a combination of such roots and herbs that Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham of Lynn, Mass., more than forty years ago, originated her now famous Vegetable Compound; and during all these long years no other remedy has ever been discovered to restore health to ailing women so successfully as this good old-fashioned root and herb medicine.

Pickering Circuit M. E. Church.

The Rev. Dr. F. D. Empey of Iowa will preach in Pickering next Sunday at 11 o'clock p. m. He is a very able speaker and you should hear him.

The evening service will be a union service at the M. E. church. Rev. Alsup, pastor of the Christian church, will preach.

The young people's meeting at 6.30 will also be a union service.

The pastor will preach at Mozingo Valley at 11 a. m.

You are cordially invited to worship with us. C. S. DAYHOFF, Pastor.

Ozro M. Gray went to Kansas City Tuesday to attend the motor show.

Gaynor Happenings.

Mrs. H. S. Potter, Correspondent.

Mrs. Will Stickle returned home on Saturday from Conway, Ia., where she spent several days visiting her brother, Dave Munn, and family.

The Farmers' Club met Monday and elected new officers for the coming year. Carl Killion was elected president and Bert Grimmitt secretary-treasurer.

Lawrence Cobb took a load of goods Wednesday to his farm near Clearfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Dug Taylor spent Wednesday and Thursday in Maryville visiting Mrs. Taylor's brother, Frank Knabb, and wife.

The Red Cross will hold an all-day meeting Thursday and there will be an instructor to direct making surgical dressings.

Walter Johnston gave a party Saturday afternoon to his schoolmates. The afternoon was spent in playing games. Mrs. Johnston and Miss Carol served ice cream and cake.

John Munn went to Davenport, Ia., last week to select a readi-cut house to replace the one that was destroyed by fire a short time ago.

The farmers are having trouble in getting cars to ship their stock. Dan Cort took cattle to Parnell Tuesday expecting a car, but had to hold them there until Thursday evening before getting a car.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hepburn took their son, George Henry, to Maryville Thursday to have his finger treated, which was badly hurt by being caught in a door.

Miss Ethel Stevenson and pupils are planning a box supper and spelling match next Friday evening. Everybody is invited to come and bring a box or a pie.

CLYDE NEWS

Lawrence Jones, who has been visiting Joseph Keef, has returned to his home in Washington.

Mrs. C. M. Gettings underwent a surgical operation at her home Sunday. She is reported doing nicely.

Miss Nora Felix of St. Joseph has been visiting at the home of her mother here the past week.

Mrs. T. Logan of Parnell has been a guest this week at the home of Mrs. C. Gettings.

Mrs. Earl Long entertained at luncheon Wednesday, Misses Nora Ellerman, Betty Stern and Gertrude Sullivan.

Miss Monica Corken of St. Joseph attended the wedding here of her cousin, Miss Mary Farnan, to Austin Quinn, which occurred last week.

Miss Rose Myer of Maryville is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Holtman, of Conception.

James and Francis Graham entertained several of their friends Sunday evening with music and refreshments. Those present were: Agnes Merrigan, Margaret Smith, Silas Riley, Anna Farnan and J. R. Farnan.

Miss Georgia Giddens, who has been visiting friends here for several months, has returned to her home in North Dakota.

Leo Fulton of Kansas City is visiting friends here this week.

Miss Nora Ellerman is in Kansas City this week visiting with friends and relatives.

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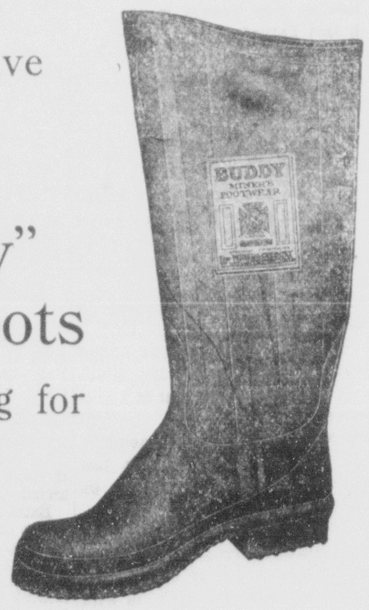

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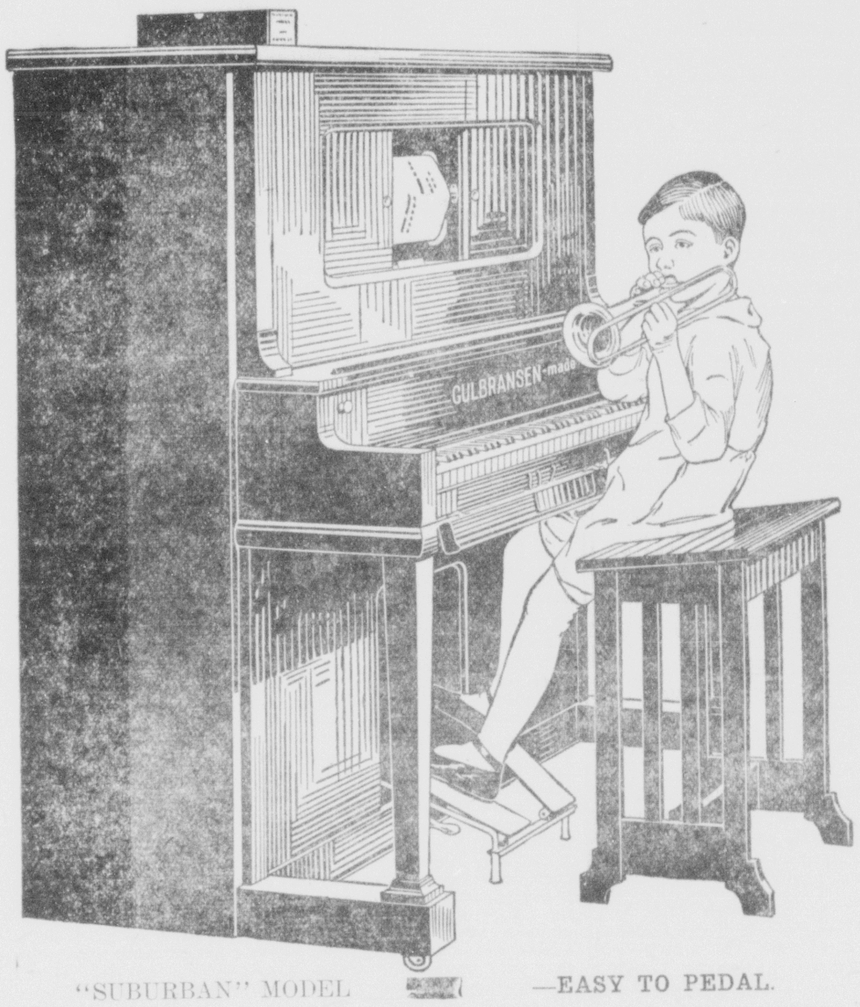

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$5 FAIR PRICE FOR SEED CORN

Missouri State Corn Growers' Association Sets Price to Curtail Seed Corn Profiteers

The Missouri State Corn Growers' Association has set $5 a bushel as a fair price for pure seed corn of standard varieties. This action was taken to thwart efforts of speculators and profiteers who were taking advantage of the seed corn shortage to demand exorbitant prices. In view of the war emergency and the shortage of good seed corn the association believes that a price of $5 a bushel is fair for well selected, tested seed. Farmers who are requested by profiteers to pay a higher price will do well to take notice of this action by the corn growers. In many cases the corn offered for sale by such men will have been grown by members of the Corn Growers' Association and consequently farmers should deal directly with members of this association and avoid the excess profit demanded by unscrupulous seedsmen.

FIRE RUINED WALLS DOWN

Heavy Wind Topples Main Street Section Into the Street—Workmen Are Clearing Away Debris

The strong wind this morning blew down the front walls of the fire ruins of the stores formerly occupied by the Holmes Jewelry company and the Lincoln store. The walls, nearly two stories high, fell into the street with a crash, demolishing a white way standard. No one was hurt.

Workmen have been busy the past few days removing the debris, which forms a solid mass from five to ten feet deep on lower floors and basements of the burned buildings and it will be weeks before it is all cleared away.

HOPKINS BUSINESS CHANGE

Jacob Dragoo to Take Charge of the Electric Light and Ice Plant

A deal was made this week whereby Jacob Dragoo becomes the owner of the Hopkins Electric Light and Ice plant, H. A. Dalby exchanging same for two farms owned by Mr. Dragoo, the farm at the north edge of Hopkins consisting of 111 acres being taken at $225 an acre, and the one west of town consisting of 120 acres being taken at $110 an acre, while the plant was put in at $25,000. The deal was made through the agency of Luke Brown. Mr. Dragoo will take charge of the business the first of next month. —Hopkins Journal.

Announces for Congress.

Edgar G. Frazier of Rock Port, prosecuting attorney of Atchison county, while in St. Joseph yesterday, announced himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress in this district, says the St. Joseph News-Press. He is the only Republican thus far announced.

Mr. Frazier is a brother of Mrs. J. E. Bailey of Maryville.

Mrs. Thompson Sells Property.

Mrs. Janie Thompson of Hopkins sold her property on West Sixth street to Henry Ellsberry. Possession will be given March 1. The deal was made through Hugh Strong.

Hosick Holmes is confined to his bed with pneumonia contracted through exposure and wet clothing on the night of and following the big fire in which the store of the Holmes Jewelry Co. was destroyed.

Tall Oaks From Little Acorns Grow

—By Courtesy of the St. Louis Star

Cardinal Gibbons Urges Public to Acquire Habit of Thrift

Cardinal Gibbons has issued a stirring appeal to the citizens of America in the support of Thrift propaganda and War Savings plan. The appeal was written in response to Robert Crain, War Savings Director of Maryland, and was first published in the Baltimore Sun.

The appeal is as follows:

To My Fellow-Countrymen:

The door of opportunity to serve our country is flung wide open for practically every man, woman and child by the sale of war savings stamps. This is the most impressive thing about the movement which is being undertaken by the National War Savings Committee. There can be few people whose circumstances will not permit them to buy at intervals the 25-cent thrift stamp, and with each purchase gain step by step possession of the war savings stamp, for each one of which the credit and resources of the United States are pledged to return $5 for what now costs $4.12.

Such a return being produced by the process of compound interest carries the lesson of thrift in a practical and convincing way. I earnestly commend to young and old, and more particularly to parents, this simple and easy method of acquiring the habit of thrift. Many sorrows are avoided and much happiness is to be gained by the timely application of the principles of thrift. To the building of character it brings profitable acquaintance with self-denial and self-reliance. It is a valuable aid to good citizenship and a blessing that once properly grounded is a faithful companion through life.

We have reached a time in our national life when no loyal citizen of this country can afford to spend a dollar for wasteful luxuries. Such an expenditure resolves itself into a disloyal act.

Welcome indeed, therefore, is the opportunity offered through the sale of these war savings stamps to promote the cultivation of thrift and at the same time to serve one's country by lending to it in such small sums the price of the first step—the 25-cent thrift stamp.

Such is not only a privilege, but it is the clear duty of every American citizen, young and old. I urge upon our clergy and our schools to aid in every way in promoting thrift through the purchase of war savings stamps.

For the help it gives to our country's cause, for the good it will do those who take such steps, may this movement carry its patriotic and practical mission to every nook and corner of the nation.

Most faithfully yours,
(Signed) J. CARD. GIBBONS.

Baltimore, January 14, 1918.

DEVOURED BY HOGS.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 14.—Suffering a stroke of apoplexy while feeding hogs on his farm near here, Asa Gulick, 70, was attacked by the animals and torn apart before he could be rescued. He died without regaining consciousness. His wife found him in the center of a howling group of flesh-crazed swine.

OLD PAPERS for sale at this office. Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Start Aberdeen-Angus Herd.

Fielding Chappell of Pine Bluffs, Wyoming, purchased from Hal Hooker seven head of pure-bred Aberdeen-Angus cattle and will ship them to his ranch soon. In the lot were six cows and one bull. Mr. Chappell will use these cattle for a start on an Aberdeen-Angus herd.

CLASSIFY 148 MEN

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4A.
Leroy Strong, Maryville, 4A.
Cleveland House, Maryville, 3B.
Earl William Hollis, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Joe Harbison, Barnard, 5G.
Claude McCurry, Maryville, 3B.
Zackieros Blacketer, Maryville, 4A.
Henry Geo. Peterson, Eldorado, Ks., 4A.
James Leroy Felix, Maryville, 5D.
J. Dale Carter, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Grover Chappel, Graham, 4A.
Floyd R. Rounds, Stanberry, 4A.
Troy H. Milliken, Parnell, 4A.
Dennis Wallace, Maryville, 4A.
Cleo Martin Blacketer, Maryville, 4A
Edgar Burton Mann, Maryville, 2B.
John Josiah Miller, Maryville, 4A.
Floyd W. Bowman, Giulford, 4A.
Wm. I. Schroyer, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Ernest H. Browning, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Fred Lawrence Gray, Hopkins, 4A.
Ira Dix, Burlington Jct., 5H.
Jonas Cadelle, Clyde, 4A.
Harry W. Bollinger, Hopkins, 4A.
Johnnie J. Montgomery, Lancaster, Ky., 4A.
John Emerson Rush, Barnard, 4A.
Ursle Chester Crockett, Maryville, 4A.
Robert J. C. Roney, Conception, 5C.
Henry Hamilton Willey, No. Kansas City, 4A.
Clyde Walton Richardson, Hopkins, 4A.
Marion G. Minter, Maryville, 4A.
Harley Clay Greenlee, Maryville, 5G.
Steele J. Morehead, Skidmore, 4A.
Matthew W. Farnan, Conception Jct. 4A.
Benton Grey, Maryville, 5H.
John Wesley Kirkbride, Ravenwood, 4A.
Ersel Clayton Carr, Barnard, 4A.
Pearlie Alonzo Devore, Maryville, 4A.
Joseph H. Townsend, Hopkins, 4A.
John Dillon Smith, Burlington Jct., 4A.
John B. Brummett, Maryville, 4A.
Robert A. Ehrenbold, Conception 5B.
James Arthur Weaver, Pickering, 4A.
Rev. Richard W. Felix, Conception, 5B.
Martin V. Bauman, Clyde, 5E.
Elmer Hubert Sell, Barnard, 4A.
Elmer Lee Hagan, Barnard, 4A.
Ira Boardman Newlon, Clearmont, 4A.
Lawrence J. Lattin, Maryville, 5G.
Alfred C. Smith, Maitland, 2A.
Ollie Raymond Majers, Maryville, 4A.
D. Raymond Hopple, Clearmont, 4A.
Fred Marcus Norris, Maryville, 4A.
James Edward Combs, Clearmont, 5B.
Roy Ashworth, Graham, 4A.
Benjamin H. Brashear, Parnell, 4A.
William Otis Foster, Hopkins, 5G.
Jacob Cleveland Pruitt, Clearmont, 4A.
Ora Edward Walter, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Ben F. McClain, Parnell, 4A.
Benedict Reese, Skidmore, 5G.
Lester Earl Lyle, Maryville, 4A.
William G. Edwards, Maryville, 4A.
M. Joshua Bliss, Maryville, 4A.
Ernest Fletcher Breit, Maryville, 4A.
Charles O. Harmon, Parnell, 4A.
Dana Glen Pruitt, Clearmont, 4A.
Paul B. Skidmore, Guilford, 4A.
William Simeus Crane, Burlington Jct., 4A.
John Miday, Tarkio, 4A.
Marshall N. Yetter, Elmo, 4A.
Stephen Joseph Donahue, Skidmore, 4A.
Horace Scruggs Gray, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Henry Oren Smith, Maryville, 4A.
Theodore Birbilis, Maryville, 5G.
Eugene Marion Allcorn, Maryville, 4A.
Earl Claycomb, Maryville, 4A.
George Thomas Rasco, Barnard, 4A.
George F. Selecman, Barnard, 4A.
Virgil C. Burns, Ravenwood, 5G.
Willard Hill, Maryville, 4A.
Howard Wilber Kramer, Maryville, 5A.
Fridolin A. M. Baumgarten, Conception Jct., 5C.
Clyde Gellispie, Clearmont, 4A.
Grant LeRoy Carl, Conception, 4A.
Bennett W. Gafney, Independence, Iowa, 4A.
Arch Davis Martin, Hopkins, 4A.
Merritt Ray Smith, Maryville, 4A.
Daniel B. Olvey, Hopkins, 4A.
Chester Williams, Maryville, 5G.
Hugh Ellis, Guilford, 4A.
Charles Levi Ross, Maryville, 4A.
Kenneth Ray Daniels, Maryville, in 4A.
John Arthur Anderson, Elmo, 4A.
Melvin E. Thompson, St. Joseph, 4A.
Thomas C. Hill, Maryville, 4A.
Forrest Davis, Elmo, 4A.
Merle Okla Cook, Maryville, 4A.
Asa Wagner, Pickering, 4A.
Robert E. Caudle, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Ova Turpin, Skidmore, 3B.
Ernest Ulmer, Maryville, 4A.
Oscar E. Klaas, Clyde, 4A.
Otho E. Weir, Graham, 4A.
Robert W. Cline, Arkoe, 4A.
Harry R. Cowen, Sheridan, 4A.
Dale Wallace Snodderly, Elmo, 4A.
Charles Johnson, Graham, 4A.
Robert F. Farnan, Conception Jct., 4A.
Lorance M. Cummins, Clearmont, 4A.
Martin H. Weston, Graham, 4A.
John C. Munn, Guilford, 4A.
Clarence A. Shunk, Ravenwood, 4A.
John F. Auten, Ravenwood, 4A.
Charley J. Money, Guilford, 4A.
Everett Harvey Morrison, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Samuel M. Chamberlain, Burlington Jct., 3B.
Loren Charles Severs, Barnard, 4A.
George M. Kemp, Skidmore, 4A.
Charles E. Curtin, Skidmore, 4A.
John R. McGary, Clyde, 5D.
Cleveland L. Owens, Skidmore, 4A.
Charles E. McClain, Parnell, 4A.
Richard E. Moberly, Maryville, 4A.
Ray Schrader, Skidmore, 2B.
John Hudgens, Maryville, 4A.
Abraham Van Buren Murphy, Maryville, 3B.
John W. Henry, Conception Jct., 3B.
Leo Isadore Diebold, Conception Jct. 5C.
Benjamin G. Rodgers, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Richard M. Van Zant, Pickering, 5G.
Jesse R. Thacker, Burlington Jct., 4A.
Arthur T. Eikhouse, Conception Jct., 4A.
Blaine M. Mattson, Guilford, 5G.
Grover C. Sparks, Hopkins, 4A.
Rolla Turner Johnson, Maryville, 4A.
Joseph Columbus Caddell, Clyde, 4A.
Francis N. Wagner, Conception, 5C.
George Custer Wray, Pickering, 5G.
William B. Alkire, North Platte, Neb. 4A.

Mike Callahan of Arkoe was in Maryville today.

John Hieronymus of Burlington Jct., was in Maryville on business today.

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Your choice of any ladies' misses' or children's cloth coat in the store at exactly ½ price.

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All $5.00 silk petticoats only.....$4.19
All $7.50 silk petticoats only.....$5.75
These petticoats could not be bought at wholesale at these prices.

WAISTS—
One lot of crepe de chine and georgette waists for Friday and Saturday will be 20 per cent off.

RIBBONS—
One lot of plain and fancy ribbons will be only.....13c

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Ravenwood News
Miss Nellie Lee Sims, Correspondent

Ed Walker returned to Camp Funston Sunday after a short visit with home folks.

There were twenty-three present at the Red Cross chapter Tuesday afternoon and they made 500 dressings.

Lavelle Collinsworth and wife recently left for their new home in Greenfield, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. Cory Pettijohn of Grant City spent the week end with Mrs. Pettijohn's parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Bishop.

Mesdames Ditamore, Peterson, Delbert Roades, Roy Teaney went to St. Joseph last Saturday.

Marion Lewis lately shipped his household goods and Saturday, with his wife and daughter, Burla, left for Wyoming to make a new home. They were accompanied as far as Omaha by Mr. and Mrs. Athol West.

David Heflin and family of Orrsburg recently visited at the Hunterson home.

Vern Henson sold and delivered a farm tractor to Hugh Whiteford of Guilford this week.

E. F. Bishop went to St. Joseph on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cross have moved to Savannah, Mo., where Mr. Cross has accepted the management of a grocery store.

There were twenty-seven members received into the M. E. church last Sunday; five by letter, the others on profession.

Miss Georgie Richards, who has been a patient sufferer for several years, has not been so well for a few days Mrs. Coons of Humboldt, Neb., is with her at present.

The German measles, or the disease that has been going the rounds in the different towns among the school children, has gone through the Ravenwood school, but most of them are back to their duties after a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Tebow have heard from each of their three boys who are in the service of their country last week. The letter from John Harold, who is a mine sweeper and in foreign waters, was about four weeks enroute He was feeling fine. Donald, of the navy, has probably made his third trip to France, and on the latter trip they encountered rough, stormy weather. Frank, of the Third Field Artillery band, Fort Sam Houston, was in the hospital, but convalescent.

On Wednesday evening there was a reception for new members at the Methodist church. Over eighty persons were present, including most of the recently added members of the church. Besides music, both instrumental and vocal, a social time was enjoyed and talks were made by R. F. Allen in an address of welcome, Dr. D. J. Hunterson, E. H. Sims, Leland Fryar and L. L. King. Refreshments were served by ladies of the church.

The Watch To Take to France

The wrist watch is the type of time piece, favored by the government for the ment in the army and navy. The method of carrying it strapped to the wrist simplifies the time problem immensely.

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30c and 60c jars; hospital size $2.50

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Rugs and Linoleums

Many families are making preparations to move at this time of the year and will need new rugs, linoleums, window shades and curtain materials. Our stocks are very complete with new Spring merchandise showing new patterns as well as large assortments in rugs, linoleums and other house furnishings that we carry.

It will be to your advantage to look through our stocks before purchasing, both as regards price and desirability of merchandise.

New Spring Suits

A big showing has already arrived, ranging in price from $25.00 to $35.00. Early buyers will find our showing the most complete in the city and we guarantee our styles to be authentic in every particular. Our $25.00 suits cannot be duplicated. Beautiful quality serges and poplins are used—the garments are beautifully trimmed and tailored and we assure you perfect satisfaction in our $25.00 numbers. If you are contemplating buying a suit now, let us show you our new styles.

D. R. Eversole & Son

Forum-ettes

Sent in from Ravenwood. "Kindly tell me why a girl closes her eyes when a fellow kisses her." If you will send in your photo we may be able to tell you the reason.

There needn't be any hurry about bringing any coal around to the school house so far as the small boy is concerned.

"Every time I read the Bible I discover something new in it that I never knew was there before," said Billy Sunday in a recent sermon. The same thing will occur every time you read your insurance policy.

After a man has been married about ten years he knows that the fellow who tried to condense all of the order into the ten commandments didn't take in territory enough.

"The Unspeakable Turk" seems to be passing, but in his place we have "The Hunspeakable Teut."

You are going to have enemies, son, if you ever amount to anything in the world, but there is no sense in going out and making a rec.rd for the number you can collect.

Deacon Moorehead of the Hopkins Journal, remarking that Arthur Brisbane says that Wilson put the tax load on the rich man's shoulders, adds that it certainly fell off and that "anyway a lot of us poor devils are carrying as much as we can wiggle under." The Deacon should worry.

A Maryville woman says that bandage parties and knitting bees have taken the place of bridge and pink teas to such an extent that she has forgotten "what is trumps."

Our greatest objection to the navy is the kind of clothes the poor fellows have to wear.

You have seen lots of queer things in your time but we'll bet you never saw the picture of a fat man in an underwear ad in the back of the magazine.

A CAPTAIN AT 22 YEARS.

Camp Sherman, O., Feb. 14.—Capt. R. R. Klingler today holds the distinction of being the youngest captain in camp. Captain Klingler was 21 when commissioned and he passed his 22nd birthday last August.

Capt. Klingler commands Jefferson county boys in Company K, 332d Inft., and although 80 per cent of his men are his senior in years they all swear by their youthful "cap."

Death of Colored Child.

James William Jackson (colored), the 16-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jackson, died at 9:30 o'clock this morning following a short illness. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the African Baptist church. Burial will be in the Oak Hill cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jackson of Guilford are in Maryville on business today.

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New Silks for Spring

We are now showing a very complete line of Plain and Fancy Silks for early spring, in all the newest patterns and colors.

There are so many patterns in this showing that we are sure you will find just what you want for new spring dresses, suits or skirts

RAW FURS

The market is high on all kinds of FURS. Write for Special No. 1. CHAS. A. JENSEN, buyer of Furs, Hides, Produce, Maryville, Mo.

WAR WORK BEING PUSHED RAPIDLY

retary Baker perhaps contributed to his own discomfiture by his desire to avoid the publication of essential facts and his usual placidity in testifying as to matters of national concern.

Secretary Baker has been both reticent and optimistic. He no doubt felt justified in both, but failed to appreciate the anxiety of the public for something tangible on which to hang a similar sense of security and satisfaction for itself. So he spoke largely in generalities. Weighing the facts all together, it is shown that Secretary Baker has done well. Whether some one else could have done better can not be determined, and he has one very strong defense against any attacks that may be made upon his administration. Everybody believes him to be perfectly honest and conscientious. Such a man can and will correct errors when convinced of them.

The speeding up of the war preparations, as they effect the army, has been impeded by the one thing evidently designed to accomplish speed. There has been too much machinery, too many dollar-a-day patriots and too much conflicting authority. A great number of eminent experts in the different industries of the country hurried to Washington to offer their services to the government free. No better men can be secured than those skilled in the handling and manufacturing of certain products, but where there are a great many men, accustomed by training and experience to believe that the best way to serve their country is to serve their own concern, some profiteering must result. The United States is amply able to employ and pay reasonable salaries to all men who are needed in its active service. The dollar-a-day man is in other respects an expensive luxury some times. He has an expense account, which frequently is drawn upon for more than a reasonable salary, and he feels no obligation to observe regular hours or to work on consecutive days.

Conflict of authority has been one of the most serious difficulties. Any kind of order, when haste is important, is better than a number of conflicting orders. Bureaus, arising under legislation which confers obscure and ill defined power and authority, become a menace to each other. All are ambitious and anxious to accomplish something, as they have a right to be, but this very thing sometimes nullifies the end they seek. We have just now an interesting example in the war council and the army general staff. The war council, which was thought to be a sort of complimentary burying ground for men who have outlived their usefulness, seems now to be likely to supercede the general staff in importance, and there is, of course, friction and jealousy.

All these things are likely to arise in any organization and there has never been a war in which equal or greater defects will appear. All the countries abroad, unless it is Germany, are experiencing greater difficulties than we, and Germany has troubles of her own. The president and the administrative heads are moving to eliminate all unnecessary cogs and wheels in the big machine and to cull out the undesirable parts.

The severe winter made comfort in the cantonments difficult and overcrowding rendered ideal health conditions in some of the cantonments impossible, but most of them have been both healthful and comfortable.

According to the statement of Secretary Baker, we will have an army of one million and a half ready for transport to France this year. The great difficulty remaining is to get ships in which to transport them and the ten tons of freight that must follow every man for equipment and subsistence. Ships are being built, bought, commandeered and borrowed and the secretary of war maintains a hopeful composure. Germany will make a tremendous effort to sink the transports and we have been recently reminded that she will get some of them. On the other hand, assurance comes from the navy that the submarine menace will be largely overcome before the end of the summer. All the great naval experts of the allied world are at work on the problem and confidence is expressed in the outcome.

In this connection it may be well to suggest that Secretary Daniels against whom a vigorous fight was waged a year ago, has apparently come out unscathed. The American navy, adhering to its old organization and its own way of doing things, is running smoothly and is, in the judgment of many, the greatest navy afloat today. It is contrary to public policy to say what it is doing, but it can be stated that it is performing important work and that great things are expected of it. There have been indications that something important will develop in naval circles soon and when anything does happen it is believed that Americans will have reason to be proud of results.

Society and Clubland

BY MISS LUTA MOODY

Hanamo 42. Farmers 114

Dinner Party.

Miss Ruby Middleton was hostess at a dinner today given in honor of Floyd Reynolds of Fort Sill, who is home on a seven day furlough. Additional guests were: Miss Lillie Mayes, Mrs. Pearl McKinney and daughter, and I. N. Middleton.

To Have Another Contest.

The W. C. T. U. held their regular business meeting yesterday afternoon at the First Methodist church League rooms. It was decided to hold another contest soon. Mrs. Newlon, president of the W. C. T. U. at Clearmont, was a visitor and conducted devotions.

Zero Club Entertains.

Members of the Zero Club entertained with a line party followed by lunch at Reuillard's Tuesday night. Those present were: Misses Christal Wilson, Gladys McGreir, Nora Belle Burt, Mildred Young, Margaret Chilton, Lela Maier, Helen Davis; Chester Lyle, Floyd Heifner, Emmett Bartram, Virgil Lyle, Virgil Borrusch, Ralph Wray and Roland Curnutt.

Shakespeare Meeting.

About fifteen members of the Shakespeare Department of the Twentieth Century Club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George P. Bellows. A study of Shakespeare's Sonnets was conducted by Mrs. Bellows. A number of the sonnets were written on Valentine hearts and cupids and each member present was given two or three sonnets to read. As these were read they were discussed. Mrs. W. J. Osburn gave a talk on the history of St. Valentine and some of the customs that have arisen. After the program refreshments were served by the hostess.

Surprise for Tuckers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tucker of Ravenwood, who are leaving soon for Idaho, where they will make their home, were surprised by a group of their friends last Tuesday night. Apples and popcorn were brought by the guests and served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holtman and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Holtman, A. D. Campbell, Mrs. J. I. Freeman and family, Miss Ora Munkers, Ira Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Warden and son, James Raney, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Raney, and son, Edna, Myrtle and Everett Tucker.

Surprised Last Night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Saxton of the White Cloud neighborhood were agreeably surprised last night when thirty-three of their neighbors and friends gathered at their home to spend the evening with them. Piano music was furnished by Misses Emeline and Neola Saxton, who are students at the Conservatory. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Debord and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bracken and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rice and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Walker and family, Mrs. Charles Blagg and family, Mrs. Mary E. Bracken, Mrs. Stewart and family, and Mrs. A. M. Crooke. Mr. and Mrs. Saxton are moving from White Cloud to Maryville.

Mr. and Mrs. Pence Surprised.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Pence five miles east of Clearmont, who are moving near Maryville, were pleasantly surprised Tuesday evening, February 12, when their friends and neighbors gathered at their home for a farewell visit. The evening was spent with games, singing and music. At a late hour an oyster supper was served to th efollowing guests: Mr. and Mrs. N. C. LeGrande, Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Hornbuckle, Mr. and Mrs. James Neal, Mrs. Meredith, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sowers, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Trueblood, Mr. and Mrs. Peery, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sowers, Mrs. R. Blone, Misses Ora LeGrande, Neva Pence, Miss Lazenby, Cletta Trueblood, Miss Fisher, Dorothy Snodderly, Gladys Hornbuckle, Oney Blane, Ruth Hornbuckle, Marion Curry, Francis Curry, Orvil Coulter, Adrian Reynolds, Laverne Reynolds and Harold Trueblood.

H. K. G. Meeting.

The H. K. G. Club met with Mrs. Killam, Friday afternoon, February 1. The afternoon was spent in knitting, sewing and snipping for the Red Cross. The club held an all day meeting, with Mrs. Ernest Wray Wednesday, February 13. A Hoover lunch was served. On Friday evening, February 15, the members of the Club will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Florea and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Florea. The members present at Friday's meeting were: Mrs. Lon Leech, Mrs. Jim Lett, Mrs. Charles Florea, Mrs. Ernest Wray, Mrs. Roy Killam, Mrs. Cornie Leech, Mrs. Warren Bloomfield, Mrs. Ira Kelley, Mrs. Everett Florea, Mrs. Charley Killam, Mrs. Louis Pistole and Misses Mary Leech and Addie Killam.

Messbarger's Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. James Messbarger gave a surprise party Tuesday evening at their home near Burlington Junction in honor of Fred Messbarger and Miss Gertrude Spire of Parnell. The house was artistically decorated in pink and white Valentine hearts and cupids. Various interesting and amusing games were played by the guests, among them was a musical heart stunt, the prizes going to Miss Spire and Robert Tobin, and in pitching hearts Miss Christie Waldeier and Francis Tobin. Music was furnished by Miss Garnett Praiswater and Miss Gertrude Spire. Refreshments were carred out in the pink and white color scheme. Mr. Messbarger is one of Nodaway county's young men, who has been drafted for military service, and will leave February 23 for Camp Funston, Kan.

Those present were: Misses Garnett and Gladys Praiswater, Irene Tobin, Delia Atterbury, Millie Saddler, Mayme Cummins, Gladys Knapp, Christie Waldeier, Frances Brush and Gertrude Spire of Parnell Mills Crane, Will Cummins, Robert and Francis Tobin, Charles Jones, Tony Whitted, Raymond Knapp, Kenneth Fordyce, Gerald Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Messbarger, Fred Messbarger and the host and hostess.

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Two Clubs Meet.

The Xenia and M. D. U. clubs held their regular monthly business meeting Wednesday, February 13, at the home of Mrs. L. D. Hanna. The day was spent in Red Cros swork. At the noon hour dinner was served to a number of the neighbor men, who were gathering corn for Floyd Van Velson, who is ill at the St. Francis hospital. The men working were: Charles Coleman, J. N. Otis, J. B. Nielsen, Aage Nielsen, Harry Davis, George Walker, Bert Pfeiffer, Alex Swaney, Virgil Hyde, Delbert Hyde, Herbert Danewood, Olen Pistole, Elmer Hamilton, Byron Hanna, George Swaney and Clarence Van Velson. The club members and visitors present were: Mrs. J. B. Nielsen, Mrs. G. B. McArthur, Mrs. J. N. Otis, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs. Delbert Hyde, Mrs. George Swaney, Mrs. G. W. Swaney, Mrs. John Godsey, Mrs. Charles Coleman, Mrs. L. D. Hanna and two children, Elva and Marguerite, Donald Pistole, Loreta Hanna, Mrs. Frank Van Velson and Miss Thelma Davis.

Sues Doctors for Damage.

J. L. Davenport has brought suit in circuit court against Drs. Drake and Tieson, of St. Joseph, claiming damages on a broken contract. In his petition Mr. Davenport charges that on payment of a fee of $100 the physicians agreed to cure his daughter, Margery, of an illness and that they have given the case no attention whatever.

Charles Reidlinger of Conception is in Maryville today.

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Spring Styles

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SILKS

Of special interest at this time is our assortment of new Silk which is now on display. Silk is one of the leading materials for Spring apparel.

The Goldenrod silk in large assortment of new figures and colors—very popular for the new style dresses; Taffeta silk in plain colors, plaids and stripes, various colors; Crepe Faille and Crepe de Chine in all the new spring colorings; and Tub silks in stripes and plaids are here to select from.

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McCALL PATTERNS for February NOW ON SALE

Wool Goods

Select the material now for your new spring skirt, suit or dress. We have received a number of pieces of wool goods in plain colors, plaids and stripes that will make lovely garments. Blue, Burgundy, Gray, Green, Prune and Black are the leading shades, while there is a wide variety of mixtures and plaid effects in contrasting colors.

GINGHAMS

Never have we shown such a variety of beautiful ginghams. The Toile du Nord, the Delhi and the silk ginghams are all in the new assortment and the blending of colors are so perfect as to please the most critical.

Come and inspect the New Spring Merchandise, whether interested in buying or not.

SEE WINDOW DISPLAYS OF NEW SPRING CREATIONS

JAMES SCORES CHAMBERLAIN.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14.—A bitter debate over the conduct of the war broke out again in the senate this afternoon when Senator Ollie James of Kentucky took the floor to answer the recent attacks of Senator Chamberlain. Senator James said it behooved every official of high station to be exceedingly careful about his public utterances.

"NO MAN'S LAND" DEEP IN MUD

American Headquarters in France, Feb. 14.—The American sector of the front was more quiet on Wednesday than at any other time since the boys took over a part of the battle line. The weather is rainy and misty and thick mud in "No Man's Land" prevented patrol activities.

WIRES DOWN IN BIG WIND.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Kansas City, Feb. 14.—All wires in the east are down since noon today owing to the terrific windstorm that has swept the coast and eastern states.

SIR CECIL SPRING RICE DEAD.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Feb. 14. — Sir Cecil Spring Rice, who had just returned as British Ambassador to the United States, died suddenly this morning at the government house at Ottawa, Ont., according to information here. He was in bad health when he left here.

DR. W. W. TURNER

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Soldier's Letters

IN TRENCHES IN SLEET STORM

Capt. Herschel Colbert Writes of Officer Cadets' Work at Camp Bowie

Capt. Herschel Colbert of Maryville, now at the officers' training school at Camp Bowie, Texas, at the request of his commanding officer, Col. Culberson, has written the following account of officer cadets' work under war conditions, the story appearing in a recent issue of the Fort Worth Record.

Fort Worth. — Three hundred infantrymen charged Camp Bowie's western front Thursday morning, took over, occupied and organized the trenches, and for twenty-eight hours held them against the enemy. The occupation took place in the teeth of the cutting winds and sleet storm which increased throughout Thursday night, but the troops continued their work hour by hour until the moment came when by order they were permitted to retire.

It was the first time the big trenches west of camp have been occupied under battle conditions and slept in through the night, and it was the cadets of the infantry section of the officers' training school who did it.

"Fine, their behavior is fine!" commented a French officer, detailed to aid and criticise the work. "I've never seen any inexperienced troops keep cover as well as these men do. Most men want to stick their heads up when they first get into the trenches, even in war, but here you can't see any heads."

Men Keep Out of Sight.

Keeping the men out of sight, while it is the hardest thing to do, was the thing most emphasized. The cadets in their studies and lectures learned that trench warfare is demoralizing to discipline and control. They knew that British officers were posted in the "German lines" on the opposite hill, "shooting" every man whose head showed above ground. And they knew that as prospective officers they were being watched for their ability to discipline themselves.

Results were strikingly obtained when late Thursday afternoon an airplane soaring above the trenches suddenly turned upside down and spun to earth in front of the trenches, crushing to death Cadet Rundle of the Royal Flying Corps. Not a man left his place or put his head above the trenches, except two, who were ordered to go with four officers and take charge of the accident.

The officers of the training school took their cadets into the trenches after three days of steady work at them where the men learned how to build trenches, dig and brace dugouts, construct entanglements, camouflage their lines and construct machine gun emplacements.

As soon as the company was marched to the trenches Thursday morning two platoons took over their sectors and the other two went into dugouts in the reserve line. The actual trench routine began at once. The men in the front line were divided into reliefs and posted as sentinels, watching for the enemy across "No Man's Land." They stood sentry duty one hour and then rested two hours.

Reserves Relieve Front Line.

The men in the reserve were put to work in the dugouts cleaning them out and building bunks. At 1 o'clock in the morning the two platoons in the rear relieved the other two and took over the front line. Everything was done quietly, without talking and without lights.

Having to walk and crawl through seeming miles of trenches in the cold and then stand still for an hour looking at barren hills or black night took the glamor out of war for the men. But the knowledge of why this sentinel was a machine gunner and that one a rifle grenadier put earnestness and enthusiasm into their work.

Finally comfort was given them by the dugouts and the cadets found that homes twenty-five feet underground were warm. Each dugout was named, a system used in Europe to identify places and make it easier to get around in the trenches. Dugout Greble was the home of the men occupying the right sector of the front line, while Dugout Hulen was on the left. In reserve were Dugouts Upham, Blewer and Logan and Metcalf Tunnel.

The feeding of the men was one of the few things criticised by the foreign officers as unreal, for three big hot meals were cooked in the rear of the lines every day and served to them. None of whom practiced real war conditions by refusing to have his plate heaped up or trading his pie for a cold crust of bread.

Their tour of duty ended at one o'clock Friday afternoon, when the cadets returned to the training school. They will continue their trench warfare every fourth week throughout the course.

Wheatless and Meatless Calendar

Cut Out and Hang in Your Kitchen

MONDAY.....	Wheatless day and breakfast meatless
TUESDAY.....	Meatless day and supper wheatless
WEDNESDAY.	Wheatless day and breakfast meatless
THURSDAY...	Breakfast meatless and supper wheatless
FRIDAY.....	Breakfast meatless and supper wheatless
SATURDAY...	Porkless day and supper wheatless

All public eating places are obliged to observe these, except that on wheatless days and meals, they may serve bread containing not less than 20 per cent wheat substitutes, and pastries containing one-third wheat substitutes, provided they use same kind of pastries all the time.

All private families who signed the food pledge are obliged by that pledge to strictly observe the above rules in the home, and the exceptions above noted applying to public eating places do not apply to the home.

All patriots should and will observe the above regulations.

F. P. ROBINSON,
Nodaway County Food Administrator.

AUTO SHOW MARCH 6-9

Motor Trucks, Trucks and Tractors in St. Joseph Auditorium

St. Joseph's 1918 automobile show, to be given in the Auditorium, March 6 to 9, inclusive, at which will be shown latest models of motor cars, trucks and tractors, will be the most complete exhibit of the kind ever seen in this territory.

Residents of the St. Joseph territory who are interested in motor vehicles are urged not to miss the St. Joseph show, because it will be in line with the big shows of the country. All standard automobiles will be shown and most of the important accessory firms have written for space.

Not only elegance, but utility, will be in the minds of those arranging the show. The handsome family car will be shown as well as the truck for all lines of business, from farming to the grocery store, and the farmers will be interested in the tractors for work in their fields.

This will be a double show under one roof, with the automobiles on the arena floor, the accessories in the corridors and the tractors and trucks in the basement. From top to bottom the great building will be filled with motor vehicles. Those in the market will have an opportunity of seeing all the principal makes and having the various points of each machine explained by an expert.

An entertainment program including musical features and vaudeville will be arranged. A cafe will be opened so the visitors need not leave the building all during the time the doors are open.

Kansas City Stock Yards, Feb. 11.—Live stock receipts today were fairly liberal; 15,000 cattle, 10,000 hogs, 7,000 sheep, 3,000 more cattle, the same number of hogs and 4,000 more sheep than a week ago. Cattle were steady, with a fairly good demand, but hogs and sheep were lower, principally because of the big receipts elsewhere. Chicago received 60,000 hogs and 25,000 sheep, the largest supplies on any Monday this year at that market. The car situation has improved with moderate weather and ina few days a far eastern outlet will be established. Railroads are accepting consignments for destination east of the Mississippi river for the first time in several weeks and order and shipper buyers are returning to the market.

Beef Cattle—Fed steers were in liberal supply today and the market, though slow, showed steady prices. The bulk of the offerings came from Kansas and sold at $10.75 to $12.00; top price, $13.00. Nebraska was fairly well represented, with sales at $11 to $12. Idaho and Wyoming steers brought $10.50 to $11.50. Killers are in a position to increase their orders as soon as they can make liberal eastern consignments without delay. The Lenten season, which begins on Wednesday, usually causes restricted demand for beef, but this year it will be of little consequence as the use of beef is already restricted by meatless days.

Stockers and Feeders—Demand for stockers and feeders has enlarged with mild weather and the only restricting factor in the trade is small receipts. Many inquiries are coming for cattle to turn on grass. Prices today were strong to unevenly higher. Most of the stockers sold at $9.50 to $10.75.

Hogs—More than 100,000 hogs arrived at the five western markets today, the largest supply of any Monday this season. Chicago quoted prices off 15 cents. In Kansas City the market was down 10 to 15 cents on the opening and closed 25 lower. Moderate weather is expected to continue the heavy movement. The top price today, $16.25, was paid for choice light, medium and heavy weight hogs, and the bulk of sales $15.90 to $16.20.

Sheep and Lambs—The sheep market last week was the highest for some time past, but today, with fairly liberal receipts at all markets, prices fell back to 15 to 25 cents. Choice lambs are quoted up to $17.15, and fair to good lambs, $16.25 to $16.90. Few feeding lambs are coming. Some old plain fat ewes sold at $11.25. Choice fat ewes would bring $12.75.

J. A. RICKART,
Market Correspondent.

TAKE BACK EXCESS

LARGE PURCHASES OF FOOD STUFFS MUST BE RETURNED

MAKE INVESTIGATIONS

In All Cases of Excessive Buying Purchaser Must Appear Before Administrator For Examination

Columbia, Feb. 13.—Despite the law against the hoarding of food stuffs which provides that anyone guilty may be fined not exceeding $5,000 or be imprisoned for not more than two years, or both, reports have come to the office of the state food administrator that consumers have been buying flour in excessive quantities.

F. B. Mumford, federal food administrator for Missouri, has ruled that in all cases of excessive buying the purchaser and dealer must appear before their county food administrator for examination. The purchaser will be required to return the quantity in excess of the proper limitations and the seller must give the purchaser the price of the quantity returned. Flagrant and repeated violations of the rule will be referred to the department of justice.

"Hoarding of food now is a moral crime," said Mr. Mumford. This is no time to delay putting into effect the rules of the food administration. The next three months will be the most crucial of the whole campaign for the conservation of food as well as of the war. Should we fail to save sufficient wheat for the soldiers in France and our associates in the war our entire plans must collapse.

"Food conservation is not a fad. The rules and regulations regarding the saving of meat and wheat are grave necessities. They were not made by some faddist in Washington merely as something new and unique; they were made to prevent our defeat through lack of bread in Europe. Violators of these regulations are lending aid and comfort to the enemy."

Purchasers of excessive quantities of flour already have been required by the county food administrators to take back the excess. A grocer sold 48 pounds of flour to a customer two days in succession. The food administrator required the customer to bring back one of the sacks and to deliver 16 pounds of corn meal for the sack retained. Another grocer sold sixteen sacks of flour and six bags of sugar to one man. The county food administrator had them all returned. Reports that farmers in one community were buying flour in 500 and 600-lb. quantities were referred to the county food administrator with instructions to have the flour returned immediately.

Large amounts of wheat and flour have been bought with no intention of hoarding. One man in a small Missouri town recently bought ten sacks of flour and 200 pounds of sugar. When he was notified his purchase was excessive he returned all except two sacks of flour that had been opened.

"I don't want to hoard flour," he wrote. "I am willing to eat hay if it will help win this war."

Contribution.

To Mrs. Seafers and Family

He has gone from thy side, dearest sister.
You have laid him to rest 'neath the sod.
While you and thy children mourn in sorrow,
His spirit rejoices with God.
Yes, sister, his sufferings are over;
He has entered the haven of rest,
And is dwelling today with his Savior
And singing the songs of the blest.
Put your trust in the Savior, dear children,
Knowing well the day will soon come
When you'll meet your kind Father in Glory;
Dwell together in that Heavenly home.
And, now, while you're lonely without him,
Since he has entered the heavenly fold,
And your hearts are aching with sorrow,
You know it is well with his soul.

—Mrs. G. L. Reynolds.

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Closing Out Sale

As I am going to quit farming, I will sell at public auction on the John Bookman farm, 5 miles southwest of Maryville, on

Monday, February 18

at 10 a. m., the following property:

8 Head of Horses—2 mares coming 6 years old, sound and good ones; 1 horse coming 4 years old, unbroke; bay horse 8 years old; roan mare 10 years old; bay horse 8 years old; black mare 8 years old, in foal.

5 Head of Cattle—1 cow with calf; 1 Jersey heifer; 1 Whiteface bull, out of Carr herd; Whiteface cow, fresh in April; 1 coming yearling roan bull.

42 Head of Hogs—12 brood sows, farrow in April; 31 fall shoats.

Implements—1 Weber wagon; 1 low wheel wagon and frame; stalk cutter; disc; riding lister; 2 New Century cultivators; 1 go-devil; corn planter; mowing machine and rake; harrow; garden plow; hog waterer and troughs; 3 sets work harness, one new; saddle and bridle; 1 end-gate seeder; 12-inch gang plow; iron kettle; cook stove; folding bed; oil stove.

ABOUT 12 TONS HAY IN STACK.

Terms—All sums $10 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of 3, 6 or 9 months time on bankable notes bearing 8 per cent interest.

LUNCH ON GROUND.

Jas. Braniger, Auct.
A. K. Frank, Clerk.

T. C. Cooper

Closing Out Public Sale

Having decided to leave the farm, I will give a closing out sale at my present residence, 4½ miles west and a mile south of Hopkins, 1 mile north and a half mile west of Good Hope church and 13 miles north and 2 miles west of Maryville, on

Thursday, February 21

beginning at 10 a. m.

71——HEAD OF LIVE STOCK——71

11 Head of Horses—2 coming 5-year-old mares, a black and a brown; 3 coming 4-year-old mares, a black, a brown and a bay, 3 coming 4-year-old horses, two blacks and a gray. These are all heavy draft stuff. Also one good all purpose team, a 7-year-old horse and a 11-year-old mare, and one sorrel, coming 4-year-old horse.

34 Recorded and High Grade Shorthorns—Here is the recorded offering; all pure Scotch or Scotch topped: One 9-year-old cow, one 8-year-old cow, two 5-year-old cows, one 3-year-old cow; two 2-year-old heifers, two coming yearling heifers, one 3-year-old bull, 1 18-months old bull, 2 yearling bulls and 3 sucking bull calves.

Grade Shorthorns—3 cows, among them some extra good milkers; 8 coming 2-year-old heifers, 3 coming yearling heifers, 2 coming yearling steers.

26 Head of Hogs—3 tried sows and 21 gilts. Full blooded Duroc Jerseys.

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CHAPTER I.

From Mufti to Khaki.

It was in an office in Jersey City. I was sitting at my desk talking to a lieutenant of the Jersey National Guard. On the wall was a big war map decorated with variously colored little flags showing the position of the opposing armies on the western front in France. In front of me on the desk lay a New York paper with big flaring headlines:

LUSITANIA SUNK! AMERICAN LIVES LOST!

The windows were open and a feeling of spring pervaded the air. Through the open windows came the strains of a hurdy-gurdy playing in the street—"I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier."

"Lusitania Sunk! American Lives Lost!"—"I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier." To us these did not seem to jibe.

The lieutenant in silence opened one of the lower drawers of his desk and took from it an American flag which he solemnly draped over the war map on the wall. Then, turning to me with a grim face, said:

"How about it, sergeant? You had better get out the muster roll of the Mounted Scouts, as I think they will be needed in the course of a few days."

We busied ourselves till late in the evening writing out emergency telegrams for the men to report when the call should come from Washington. Then we went home.

I crossed over to New York, and as I went up Fulton street to take the subway to Brooklyn, the lights in the tall buildings of New York seemed to be burning brighter than usual, as if they, too, had read "Lusitania Sunk! American Lives Lost!" They seemed to be glowing with anger and righteous indignation, and their rays wigwagged the message, "Repay!"

Months passed, the telegrams lying handy, but covered with dust. Then, one momentous morning the lieutenant with a sigh of disgust removed the flag from the war map and returned

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to his desk. I immediately followed this action by throwing the telegrams into the wastebasket. Then we looked at each other in silence. He was squirming in his chair and I felt depressed and uneasy.

The telephone rang and I answered it. It was a business call for me, requesting my services for an out-of-town assignment. Business was not very good, so this was very welcome. After listening to the proposition I seemed to be swayed by a peculiarly strong force within me, and answered, "I am sorry that I cannot accept your offer, but I am leaving for England next week," and hung up the receiver. The lieutenant swung around in his chair, and stared at me in blank astonishment. A sinking sensation came over me, but I defiantly answered his look with, "Well, it's so. I'm going." And I went.

The trip across was uneventful. I landed at Tilbury, England, then got into a string of matchbox cars and proceeded to London, arriving there about 10 p. m. I took a room in a hotel near St. Pancras station for "five and six—fire extra." The room was minus the fire, but the "extra" seemed to keep me warm. That night there was a Zeppelin raid, but I didn't see much of it, because the slit in the curtains was too small and I had no desire to make it larger. Next morning the telephone bell rang, and someone asked, "Are you there?" I was, hardly. Anyway, I learned that the Zeps had returned to their fatherland, so I went out into the street expecting to see scenes of awful devastation and a cowering populace, but everything was normal. People were calmly proceeding to their work. Crossing the street, I accosted a Bobbie with:

"Can you direct me to the place of damage?"

He asked me, "What damage?"

In surprise, I answered, "Why, the damage caused by the Zeps."

With a wink he replied:

"There was no damage; we missed them again."

After several fruitless inquiries of the passersby, I decided to go on my own in search of ruined buildings and scenes of destruction. I boarded a bus which carried me through Tottenham Court road. Recruiting posters were everywhere. The one that impressed me most was a life-size picture of Lord Kitchener with his finger pointing directly at me, under the caption of "Your King and Country Need You." No matter which way I turned, the accusing finger followed me. I was an American, in mufti, and had a little American flag in the lapel of my coat. I had no king, and my country had seen fit not to need me, but still that pointing finger made me feel small and ill at ease. I got off the bus to try to dissipate this feeling by mixing with the throng of the sidewalks.

Presently I came to a recruiting office. Inside, sitting at a desk was a lonely Tommy Atkins. I decided to interview him in regard to joining the British army. I opened the door. He looked up and greeted me with "I s'y, myte, want to tyke on?"

I looked at him and answered, "Well, whatever that is, I'll take a chance at it."

Without the aid of an interpreter, I found out that Tommy wanted to know if I cared to join the British army. He asked me: "Did you ever hear of the Royal Fusiliers?" Well, in London, you know, Yanks are supposed to know everything, so I was not going to appear ignorant and answered, "Sure."

After listening for one half-hour to Tommy's tale of their exploits on the firing line, I decided to join. Tommy took me to the recruiting headquarters, where I met a typical English captain. He asked my nationality. I immediately pulled out my American passport and showed it to him. It was signed by Lansing. After looking at the passport, he informed me that he was sorry but could not enlist me, as it would be a breach of neutrality. I insisted that I was not neutral, because to me it seemed that a real American could not be neutral when big things were in progress, but the captain would not enlist me.

With disgust in my heart I went out in the street. I had gone about a block when a recruiting sergeant who had followed me out of the office tapped me on the shoulder with his swagger stick and said: "S'y, I can get you in the army. We have a 'leftenant' down at the other office who can do anything. He has just come out of the O. T. C. (Officers' Training corps) and does not know what neutrality is." I decided to take a chance, and accepted his invitation for an introduction to the lieutenant. I entered the office and went up to him, opened up my passport and said:

"Before going further I wish to state that I am an American, not too proud to fight, and want to join your army."

He looked at me in a nonchalant manner, and answered, "That's all right; we take anything over here."

I looked at him kind of hard and replied, "So I notice," but it went over his head.

He got out an enlistment blank, and placing his finger on a blank line said, "Sign here."

I answered, "Not on your tintype."

"I beg your pardon?"

Then I explained to him that I would not sign it without first reading it. I read it over and signed for duration of war. Some of the recruits were lucky. They signed for seven years only!

Then he asked me my birthplace. I answered, "Ogden, Utah."

He said, "Oh, yes, just outside of New York?"

With a smile, I replied, "Well, it's up the state a little."

Then I was taken before the doctor and passed as physically fit, and was issued a uniform. When I reported back to the lieutenant, he suggested that, being an American, I go on recruiting service and try to shame some of the slackers into joining the army.

"All you have to do," he said, "is to go out on the street, and when you see a young fellow in mufti who looks physically fit, just stop him and give him this kind of a talk: 'Aren't you ashamed of yourself, a Britfsher, physically fit, and in mufti when your king and country need you? Don't you know that your country is at war and that the place for every young Briton is on the firing line? Here I am, an American, in khaki, who came four thousand miles to fight for your king and country, and you, as yet, have not enlisted. Why don't you join? Now is the time.'

"This argument ought to get many recruits, Empey, so go out and see what you can do."

He then gave me a small rosette of red, white and blue ribbon, with three little streamers hanging down. This was the recruiting insignia and was to be worn on the left side of the cap.

Armed with a swagger stick and my patriotic rosette, I went out into Tottenham Court road in quest of cannon fodder.

Two or three poorly dressed civilians passed me, and although they appeared physically fit, I said to myself, "They don't want to join the army; perhaps they have someone dependent on them for support," so I did not accost them.

Coming down the street I saw a young dandy, top hat and all, with a fashionably dressed girl walking beside him. I muttered, "You are my meat," and when he came abreast of me I stepped directly in his path and stopped him with my swagger stick, saying:

"You would look fine in khaki; why not change that top hat for a steel helmet? Aren't you ashamed of yourself, a husky young chap like you in mufti when men are needed in the trenches? Here I am, an American,

Swearing in a Recruit.

came four thousand miles from Ogden, Utah, just outside of New York, to fight for your king and country. Don't be a slacker, buck up and get into uniform; come over to the recruiting office and I'll have you enlisted."

He yawned and answered, "I don't care if you came forty thousand miles, no one asked you to," and he walked on. The girl gave me a sneering look; I was speechless.

I recruited for three weeks and nearly got one recruit.

This perhaps was not the greatest stunt in the world, but it got back at the officer who had told me, "Yes, we take anything over here." I had been spending a good lot of my recruiting time in the saloon bar of the Wheat Sheaf pub (there was a very attractive blonde barmaid, who helped kill time—I was not as serious in those days as I was a little later when I reached the front)—well, it was the sixth day and my recruiting report was blank. I was getting low in the pocket—barmaids haven't much use for anyone who cannot buy drinks—so I looked around for recruiting material. You know a man on recruiting service gets a "bob" or shilling for every recruit he entices into joining the army, the recruit is supposed to get this, but he would not be a recruit if he were wise to this fact, would he?

Down at the end of the bar was a young fellow in mufti who was very patriotic—he had about four "Old Six" ales aboard. He asked me if he could join, showed me his left hand, two fingers were missing, but I said that did not matter as "we take anything over here." The left hand is the rifle hand as the piece is carried at the slope on the left shoulder. Nearly everything in England is "by the left," even general traffic keeps to the port side.

I took the applicant over to headquarters, where he was hurriedly examined. Recruiting surgeons were busy in those days and did not have much time for thorough physical examinations. My recruit was passed as "fit" by the doctor and turned over to a corporal to make note of his scars. I was mystified. Suddenly the corporal burst out with, "Blime me, two of his fingers are gone." Turning to me he said, "You certainly have your nerve with you, not 'alf you ain't, to bring this beggar in."

The doctor came over and exploded, "What do you mean by bringing in a man in this condition?"

Looking out of the corner of my eye I noticed that the officer who had recruited me had joined the group, and I could not help answering, "Well, sir, I was told that you took anything over here."

I think they called it "Yankee impudence," anyhow it ended my recruiting.

CHAPTER II.

Blighty to Rest Billets.

The next morning the captain sent for me and informed me: "Empey, as a recruiting sergeant you are a washout," and sent me to a training depot.

After arriving at this place, I was hustled to the quartermaster stores and received an awful shock. The quartermaster sergeant spread a waterproof sheet on the ground and commenced throwing a miscellaneous assortment of straps, buckles and other paraphernalia into it. I thought he would never stop, but when the pile reached to my knees he paused long enough to say, "Next, No. 5217, 'Arris, B company." I gazed in bewilderment at the pile of junk in front of me, and then my eyes wandered around looking for the wagon which was to carry it to barracks. I was rudely brought to earth by the "quarter" exclaiming, "'Ere, you, 'op it; tyke it aw'y; blind my eyes, 'e's looking for 'is batman to 'elp 'im carry it."

Struggling under the load, with frequent pauses for rest, I reached our barracks (large car barns), and my platoon leader came to the rescue. It was a marvel to me how quickly he assembled the equipment. After he had completed the task, he showed me how to adjust it on my person. Pretty soon I stood before him a proper Tommy Atkins in heavy marching order, feeling like an overloaded camel.

On my feet were heavy-soled boots, studded with hobnails, the toes and heels of which were re-enforced by steel half-moons. My legs were incased in woolen puttees, olive drab in color, with my trousers overlapping them at the top. Then a woolen khaki tunic, under which was a bluish gray woolen shirt, minus a collar; beneath this shirt a woolen belly band about six inches wide, held in place by tie strings of white tape. On my head was a heavy woolen trench cap, with huge earlaps buttoned over the top. Then the equipment: A canvas belt, with ammunition pockets, and two wide canvas straps like suspenders, called "D" straps, fastened to the belt in front, passing over each shoulder, crossing in the middle of my back, and attached by buckles to the rear of the belt. On the right side of the belt hung a water bottle, covered with felt; on the left side was my bayonet and scabbard, and intrenching tool handle, this handle strapped to the bayonet scabbard. In the rear was my intrenching tool, carried in a canvas case. This tool was a combination pick and spade. A canvas haversack was strapped to the left side of the belt, while on my back was the pack, also of canvas, held in place by two canvas straps over the shoulders; suspended on the bottom of the pack was my mess tin or canteen in a neat little canvas case. My waterproof sheet, looking like a jelly roll, was strapped on top of the pack, with a wooden stick for cleaning the breech of the rifle projecting from each end. On a lanyard around my waist hung a huge jackknife with a can-opener attachment. The pack contained my overcoat, an extra pair of socks, change of underwear, hold all (containing knife, fork, spoon, comb, toothbrush, lather brush, shaving soap, and a razor made of tin, with "Made in England" stamped on the blade; when trying to shave with this it made you wish that you were at war with Patagonia, so that you could have a "hollow ground" stamped "Made in Germany"); then your housewife, button-cleaning outfit, consisting of a brass button stick, two stiff brushes, and a box of "Soldiers' Friend" paste; then a shoe brush and a box of dubbin, a writing pad, indelible pencil, envelopes, and pay book, and personal belongings, such as a small mirror, a decent razor and a sheaf of unanswered letters, and fags. In your haversack you carry your iron rations, meaning a tin of bully beef, four biscuits and a can containing tea, sugar and Oxo cubes; a couple of pipes and a pack of shag, a tin of rifle oil, and a pull-through. Tommy generally carries the oil with his rations; it gives the cheese a sort of sardine taste.

Add to this a first-aid pouch and a long, ungainly rifle patterned after the Daniel Boone period, and you have an idea of a British soldier in Blighty.

Before leaving for France, this rifle is taken from him and he is issued with a Lee-Enfield short trench rifle and a ration bag.

In France he receives two gas helmets, a sheepskin coat, rubber mackintosh, steel helmet, two blankets, tearshell goggles, a balaclava helmet, gloves and a tin of antifrostbite grease which is excellent for greasing the boots. Add to this the weight of his rations, and can you blame Tommy for growling at a twenty-kilo route march?

Having served as sergeant major in the United States cavalry, I tried to tell the English drill sergeants their business, but it did not work. They immediately put me as batman in their mess. Many a greasy dish of stew was accidentally spilled over them.

I would sooner fight than be a waiter, so when the order came through from headquarters calling for a draft of 250 re-enforcements for France, I volunteered.

Then we went before the M. O. (medical officer) for another physical examination. This was very brief. He asked our names and numbers and said "Fit," and we went out to fight.

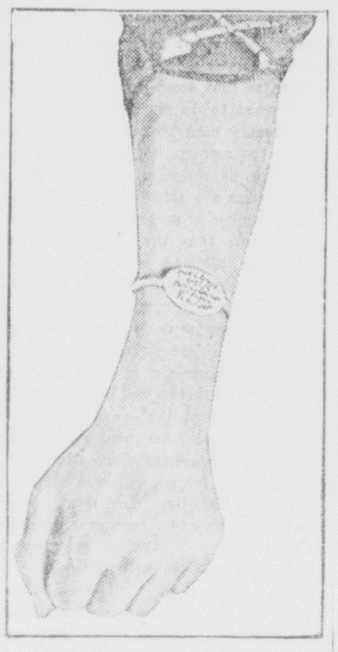
We were put into troop trains and sent to Southampton, where we detrained, and had our trench rifles issued to us. Then in columns of twos we went up the gangplank of a little steamer lying alongside the dock.

At the head of the gangplank there was an old sergeant, who directed that we line ourselves along both rails of the ship. Then he ordered us to take life belts from the racks overhead and put them on. I have crossed the ocean several times and knew I was not seasick, but when I buckled on that lifebelt I had a sensation of sickness.

After we got out into the stream all I could think of was that there were a million German submarines with a torpedo on each, across the warhead of which was inscribed my name and address.

After five hours we came alongside a pier and disembarked. I had attained another one of my ambitions. I was "somewhere in France." We slept in the open that night on the side of the road. About six the next morning we were ordered to entrain. I looked around for the passenger coaches, but all I could see on the siding were cattle cars. We climbed into these. On the side of each car was a sign reading "Hommes 40, Chevevaux 8." When we got inside of the cars, we thought that perhaps the sign painter had reversed the order of things. After 48 hours in these trucks we detrained at Rouen. At this place we went through an intensive training for ten days.

The training consisted of the rudiments of trench warfare. Trenches had been dug, with barbed wire entanglements, bombing saps, dugouts, observation posts and machine gun emplacements. We were given a smattering of trench cooking, sanitation, bomb throwing, reconnoitering, listening posts, constructing and repairing barbed wire, "carrying in" parties,



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methods used in attack and defense, wiring parties, mass formation, and the procedure for poison-gas attacks.

On the tenth day we again met our friends "Hommes 40, Chevevaux 8." Thirty-six hours more of misery, and we arrived at the town of F——.

After unloading our rations and equipment, we lined up on the road in columns of fours waiting for the order to march.

A dull rumbling could be heard. The sun was shining. I turned to the man on my left and asked, "What's the noise, Bill?" He did not know, but his face was of a pea-green color. Jim, on my right, also did not know, but suggested that I "awsk" the sergeant.

Coming towards us was an old grizzled sergeant, properly fed up with the war, so I "awsked" him.

"Think it's going to rain, sergeant?"

He looked at me in contempt, and grunted, "'Ow's it a-goin' ter rain with the bloomin' sun a-shinin'?" I looked guilty.

"Them's the guns up the line, me lad, and you'll get enough of 'em before you gets back to Blighty."

My knees seemed to wilt, and I squeaked out a weak "Oh!"

Then we started our march up to the line in ten-kilo treks. After the first day's march we arrived at our rest billets. In France they call them rest billets, because while in them Tommy works seven days a week and on the eighth day of the week he is given twenty-four hours "on his own."

Our billet was a spacious affair, a large barn on the left side of the road, which had one hundred entrances, ninety-nine for shells, rats, wind and rain, and the hundredth one for Tommy. I was tired out, and using my shrapnel-proof helmet (shrapnel proof until a piece of shrapnel hits it), or tin hat, for a pillow, lay down in the straw, and was soon fast asleep. I must have slept about two hours, when I awoke with a prickling sensation all over me. As I thought, the straw had worked through my uniform. I woke up the fellow lying on my left, who had been up the line before, and asked him:

"Does the straw bother you, mate? It's worked through my uniform and I can't sleep."

In a sleepy voice he answered, "That ain't straw, them's cooties."

From that time on my friends the "cooties" were constantly with me.

"Cooties," or body lice, are the bane of Tommy's existence.

The aristocracy of the trenches very seldom call them "cooties," they speak of them as fleas.

To an American flea means a small insect armed with a bayonet, who is wont to jab it into you and then hopskip and jump to the next place to be attacked. There is an advantage in having fleas on you instead of "cooties" in that in one of his extended jumps said flea is liable to land on the fellow next to you; he has the typical energy and push of the American, while the "cootie" has the bulldog tenacity of the Englishman; he holds on and consolidates or digs in until his meal is finished.

There is no way to get rid of them permanently. No matter how often you bathe, and that is not very often, or how many times you change your underwear, your friends the "cooties" are always in evidence. The billets are infested with them, especially so if there is straw on the floor.

I have taken a bath and put on brand-new underwear; in fact, a complete change of uniform, and then turned in for the night. The next morning my shirt would be full of them. It is a common sight to see eight or ten soldiers sitting under a tree with their shirts over their knees engaging in a "shirt hunt."

At night about half an hour before "lights out," you can see the Tommies grouped around a candle, trying, in its dim light, to rid their underwear of the vermin. A popular and very quick method is to take your shirt and drawers, and run the seams back and forward in the flame from a candle and burn them out. This practice is dangerous, because you are liable to burn holes in the garments if you are not careful.

Recruits generally sent to Blighty for a brand of insect powder advertised as "Good for body lice." The advertisement is quite right; the powder is good for "cooties;" they simply thrive on it.

The older men of our battalion were wiser and made scratchers out of wood. These were rubbed smooth with a bit of stone or sand to prevent splinters. They were about eighteen inches long, and Tommy guarantees that a scratcher of this length will reach any part of the body which may be attacked. Some of the fellows were lazy and only made their scratchers twelve inches, but many a night when on guard, looking over the top from the fire step of the front-line trench, they would have given a thousand "quid" for the other six inches.

Once while we were in rest billets an Irish Hussar regiment camped in an open field opposite our billet. After they had picketed and fed their horses, a general shirt hunt took place. The troopers ignored the call "Dinner up," and kept on with their search for big game. They had a curious method of procedure. They hung their shirts over a hedge and beat them with their entrenching tool handles.

I asked one of them why they didn't pick them off by hand, and he answered, "We haven't had a bath for nine weeks or a change of clabber. If I tried to pick the 'cooties' off my shirt, I would be here for duration of war." After taking a close look at his shirt, I agreed with him; it was alive.

The greatest shock a recruit gets when he arrives at his battalion in France is to see the men engaging in a "cootie" hunt. With an air of contempt and disgust he avoids the company of the older men, until a couple of days later, in a torment of itching, he also has to resort to a shirt hunt, or spend many a sleepless night of misery. During these hunts there are lots of pertinent remarks bandied back and forth among the explorers, such as, "Say, Bill, I'll swap you two little ones for a big one," or, "I've got a black one here that looks like Kaiser Bill."

One sunny day in the front-line trench, I saw three officers sitting outside of their dugout ("cooties" are no respecters of rank; I have even noticed a suspicious uneasiness about a certain well-known general), one of them was a major, two of them were exploring their shirts, paying no attention to the occasional shells which passed overhead. The major was writing a letter; every now and then he would lay aside his writing-pad, search his shirt for a few minutes, get an inspiration, and then resume writing. At last he finished his letter and gave it to his "runner." I was curious to see whether he was writing to an insect firm, so when the runner passed me I engaged him in conversation and got a glimpse at the address on the envelope. It was addressed to Miss Alice Somebody, in London. The "runner" informed me that Miss Somebody was the major's sweetheart and that he wrote to her every day. Just imagine it, writing a love letter during a "cootie" hunt; but such is the creed of the trenches.

CHAPTER III.

I Go to Church.

Upon enlistment we had identity disks issued to us. These were small disks of red fiber worn around the neck by means of a string. Most of the Tommies also used a little metal disk which they wore around the left wrist by means of a chain. They had previously figured it out that if their heads were blown off, the disk on the left wrist would identify them. If they lost their left arm the disk around the neck would serve the purpose, but if their head and left arm were blown off, no one would care who they were, so it did not matter. On one side of the disk was inscribed your rank, name, number and battalion, while on the other was stamped your religion.

C. of E., meaning Church of England; R. C., Roman Catholic; W., Wesleyan; P., Presbyterian; but if you happened to be an atheist they left it blank, and just handed you a pick and shovel. On my disk was stamped C. of E. This is how I got it: The lieutenant who enlisted me asked my religion. I was not sure of the religion of the British army, so I answered, "Oh, any old thing," and he promptly put down C. of E.

Now, just imagine my hard luck. Out of five religions I was unlucky enough to pick the only one where church parade was compulsory!

The next morning was Sunday. I was sitting in the billet writing home to my sister, telling her of my wonderful exploits while under fire—all recruits do this. The sergeant major put his head in the door of the billet and shouted: "C. of E. outside for church parade!"

I kept on writing. Turning to me, in a loud voice, he asked, "Empey, aren't you C. of E.?"

I answered, "Yep."

In an angry tone, he commanded, "Don't you 'yep' me. Say, 'Yes, sergeant major.'"

"I did so. Somewhat mollified, he ordered, "Outside for church parade."

I looked up and answered, "I am not going to church this morning."

He said, "Oh, yes, you are!"

I answered, "Oh, no, I'm not!"—But I went.

We lined up outside with rifles and bayonets, 120 rounds of ammunition, wearing our tin hats, and the march to church began. After marching about five kilos, we turned off the road into an open field. At one end of this field the chaplain was standing in a limber. We formed a semicircle around him. Overhead there was a black speck circling round and round in the sky. This was a German Fokker. The chaplain had a book in his left hand—left eye on the book—right eye on the airplane. We Tommies were lucky, we had no books, so had both eyes on the airplane.

After church parade we were marched back to our billets, and played football all afternoon.

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In the Circuit Court, April term, 1918.

August King, executor of the estate of Mary German, Plaintiff, vs. Frank German, John German, Anna McPherson, Louisa German and Mary German, Defendants.

Now at this day comes the Plaintiff herein, by his Attorneys and files his Petition and Affidavit, alleging among other things that Defendants, Frank German, John German, Anna McPherson and Mary German are not residents of the State of Missouri, so that the ordinary process of law can not be served upon them within this State.

Whereupon, it is ordered by the Clerk in vacation that said Defendants be notified by Publication that Plaintiff has commenced a suit against them in this Court, the object and general nature of which is to construe the will of John German, deceased, and advise and direct the Plaintiff as to his duties under the will of Mary German, deceased, concerning and affecting the right, title and interests of the defendants in and to the following described land situate in Nodaway County, Missouri, to wit: The South One-half of the Southeast Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section Thirty-one (31), Township Sixty-three (63) of Range Thirty-three (33), and that unless the said Defendants be and appear at this Court, at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the Court House in the City of Maryville, in said County, on the 1st day of April next, and on or before the first day of said Term, unless further time be granted by the Court, answer or demur to the Petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is Further Ordered, that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in the Democrat-Forum, a newspaper published in said County of Nodaway for four weeks successively, published at least once a week, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said next April Term of this Court.

G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.
(Seal) By AMOS SPRECHER, Deputy

A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand, and seal of the Circuit Court of Nodaway County, this 9th day of February, 1918.

G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.
AMOS SPRECHER, D. C.

(1st insertion Feb. 9; last March 2)

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, County of Nodaway, ss.

In the Circuit Court, April term, 1918.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that on this day Emily Lemon, Nellie Jones and Lillie Amy Garrett, petitioners herein, by their attorneys file their petition, verified by affidavit, alleging among other things that on or about the—— day of ———— 1912, one James H. Lemon made, executed and delivered to the petitioners a certain warranty deed conveying to petitioners certain lands in Nodaway County, Missouri, described as follows, to wit:

The Northeast Fourth of the Northwest Quarter and the Northwest Fourth of the Northeast Quarter and five acres off of the West part of the Northeast Fourth of the Northeast Quarter, all in Section Six (6) in Township Sixty-five (65) of Range Thirty-six (36), Nodaway County, Missouri, same being a part of the home place where the said James H. Lemon then resided.

Said deed conveyed to the petitioner, Emily Lemon said lands for the term of her natural life with remainder to the petitioners Nellie Jones and Lillie Amy Garrett in equal parts.

That after the execution and delivery of said deed to petitioners the said deed was lost or destroyed. That said deed has not been recorded in the Recorder's office of Nodaway County, Missouri; that the said deed was executed by the said James H. Lemon and Emily Lemon, his wife, and praying the Court to hear such testimony as the petitioners may produce touching the execution, delivery and loss of said deed and their interests in the land therein described and to adjudge and determine according to the evidence so adduced by petitioners and that a decree will be entered in said cause at the next term of said court and the title or interest to or in said land adjudged to said petitioners according to the prayer of their petition and it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published according to law in the Democrat-Forum, a newspaper published in said Nodaway County, Missouri, once a week for at least four weeks, the last insertion to be at least four weeks prior to the April 1918 Term of said Court.

(Seal) G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.

A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand, and seal of the Circuit Court of Nodaway County, this 9th day of February, 1918.

G. H. WESTFALL, Circuit Clerk.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

WANTS

THAT BRING RESULTS

RATES IN THIS COLUMN

Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one-half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

Ads running less than three days or interrupted insertions 1 cent per word each insertion.

Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for CASH with order. An extra charge of Five Cents will be made on all Want Ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Good list of prime real estate mortgage loans for disposal, in amounts to suit investors. See us for terms. Over Nodaway Valley Bank. The Sisson Loan & Title Co. 21tf

FOR SALE—Few S. C. Red cockerels. Inquire Mrs. Alfred Jones, Farmers 46-17. 12-14*

FOR SALE—Limited amount beardless barley seed, $2.00 bu. C. T. Barrow, Farmers 36-12. 13-15*

FOR SALE—30 bu. Reid's Yellow Dent seed corn; 15 bu. of White Cap. Frank O'Riley. 13-15

FOR SALE — Used upright piano, nearly new, absolutely as good as day it left factory, walnut case without blemish on it. Also used player piano, excellent condition, out only three years We sell used pianos under stronger guarantee, very often, than they were sold under by some other dealer who does not make a point of looking after all pianos sold as we do. You will have to come quickly if you want either of these two bargains. Landon Music Co. 8-14

FOR SALE—Roan yearling bull calf. Price right. Louis Lehmer, Farmers 45-12. 13-15*

PIANO BARGAIN—Someone in the vicinity of Maryville, by paying a small amount, can procure a good piano, slightly used, in very nice condition. Can arrange monthly payments if desired. Write for particulars. Olney Piano Co., P. O. Box 516, St. Joseph, Mo. 13-16*

FOR SALE—At the pavilion, Saturday, February 16, 3¼ wagon and carriage, heavy harness. All practically as good as new. J. J. Pyles. 13-15*

FOR SALE—Team of farm work horses, smooth mouth. 1516 East Halsey street, Han. 3496. 12-14*

FOR SALE—300 to 400 bu. hand picked corn, $1.50 per bushel. Harold Thompson, R 4, Maryville. 12-14*

FOR SALE — My 80-acre farm, 4 miles southwest of Ravenwood. Good 3 room house ,barn, hen house and other out buildings. Some fruit trees, grape vines, can all be cultivated. Write the owner, Mrs. Viola M. Douglas, 5714 Main street, Kansas City, Mo. 12-14

FOR SALE OR LEASE — 320-acre farm 3½ miles northwest Ravenwood, 9 miles east Maryville. Call Ravenwood Bank or see owner, Sylvester Moore, Friday and Saturday at Ravenwood. 14-16

MISCELLANEOUS

PLUMBING—We make a specialty of installing modern plumbing in old houses and remodeling old plumbing; estimates free. Standard Plumbing Co., Hanamo 46.

MARRIED MAN wants job on farm; has boy 15 years old will work also. Good reference. Inquire Democrat-Forum. 13-15

ATTENTION—11 head calves and 600 bu. good corn for sale. Terms cash. Don't hurry. Guy Stults. 13-15*

LOST—Round Mosaic pin, between Conservatory and C. Q. Smith's. Reward. Eleanor Smith. 12-14

IF YOU NEED seed corn, see M. C. Thompson, 307 N. Market St., east side of square. Hanamo 108, Farmers 41-15. 6tf

WANTED

I WANT a married man to work on farm for 6 months, a man that knows how to do things and will do them. R. T. Lamar, Elmo, Mo. 14-16*

WANTED — Competent housekeeper, experienced and reliable; none other need apply. Mrs. Ralph Eversole. 14-16

WANTED — Old corn, 1916 crop; send sample, stating amount you have and price wanted. $12.96 buys our Standard Goodwear Casing NON-Skid 30x3½ Guaranteed first quality 3500 mileage. All other sizes in proportion. We deliver them to your door. State Auto Supply Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. 14-15*

WANTED — Two girls at once Maryville Laundry. Hanamo 709. 14-tf

WANTED — The Democrat-Forum wants live correspondents at Barnard Burlington Junction, Skidmore, Guilford, Clearmont and Clyde. Write fo information. The Democrat-Forum. tf

WANTED—Delivery man, with car or horse preferred. Maryville Laundry. 11tf.

WANTED — To rent, about 6 room house close in, water and lights. Inquire at Democrat-Forum.

WANTED—Married man with small family that I can board with and will board extra help. J. Ward Stevenson, Graham, Mo.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—60 acre farm for cash rent. Inquire at this office or phone Farmers 91-15. 14-16

FOR RENT—5 acres in town, improved place, very cheap. Call quick. M. G. Tate. 13-15*

FOR RENT—Warm, clean room furnished for light housekeeping; references required. 216 E. 3rd. Hanamo 3041. 2tf

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Grain Market Future

Kansas City, Feb. 14.—CORN—May, $1.26.

Kansas City Live Stock

Kansas City, Feb. 14.—CATTLE — Receipts, 4,000; steers, $10.00@$13.75; cows, $8.00@$12.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000; top. $16.15; bulk, $15.85@$16.10.

Chicago Live Stock

Chicago, Feb. 14. — CATTLE—Receipts 14,000; market, steady.

HOGS—Receipts, 38,000; market, steady; top, $16.20.

St Joseph Live Stock

St. Joseph, Feb. 14.—CATTLE—Receipts 3,000; market 10@15 higher.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000; market, 10 higher; top, $16.10.

PRODUCE MARKET.

Springs, per lb	18c
Ducks, per lb	14c
Geese, per lb	14c
Old Roosters, per lb	10c
Hides, per lb.	10
Eggs, per doz.	40c
Cream, per lb.	50c

PREFER HOME PAPERS.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 14.—If you want to please your soldier boy at the front send him the home paper regularly. Soldiers returning here on furloughs from training camps declare that of all the mail received, the boys appear to most enjoy the home paper—no matter whether it is a big city daily or a little four-page country weekly.

WHY BE EDUCATED?

Wheeling, W. Va., Feb. 14.—Filling out a questionnaire with the aid of lawyers because he could not read or write, a local mill worker was asked how much money he was making.

"Twelve dollars a day," was the reply.

SNOW WORTH MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO WHEAT

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 14.—"Snowstorms and freezes which have been the heaviest Arkansas has ever experienced have been worth millions of collars to the wheat crop," said Governor Charles H. Brough of Arkansas, in an interview on agricultural prospects for 1918.

"Besides that," continued the governor, "it is worth millions of dollars to the cotton growers of the South, in that the severe weather has killed vast numbers of boll weevil."

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

BRINGING IT BACK

FLOUR AND SUGAR IS BEING RETURNED TO DEALERS

SOME HAD OVER-SUPPLY

In Some Cases Return Was Made at Instance of the Food Administrator Who Found Hoarding Practised

"I wish you would send one of your clerks out to the wagon and bring in some flour for me." The proprietor of a local grocery store looked up as one of his customers this morning made the request, and thinking there must be something the matter with the flour, asked what was wrong.

"Nothing wrong," replied the customer. "I've got more than the government allows and I want you to take it back so that some one else can have it. I want to do my bit, you know." The grocery man took i tback and returned the amount he had paid for it.

Inquiry at other stores where food commodities are sold disclosed the fact that a number of persons who have purchased more than the amount of flour and sugar allowed have returned it, following the announcement that excess food supplies must be returned.

At three stores in Maryville the proprietors said that flour and sugar in excess of the amount allowed had been returned within the past two days. It was also learned that in several cases the return had been made at the instance of the county food administrator, who had learned of an over-supply in certain families. In most cases, however, the goods were purchased before the order regulating the amount that might be brought was issued.

It is the purpose of the food administrator to investigate every case of reported hoarding and insist that over supplies be returned to the dealer and dealers have strict orders to sell but the regulation amount to one person. Some, however, made like purchases at several stores and the dealer is not in position to know what supplies they have on hand.

Left for Home.

Mrs. Charley McKee and two children, who have been visiting relatives in Maryville and Pickering, left Tuesday for their home in Hitchcock, S. Dak. They were accompanied home by Mrs. McKee's brother-in-law, Wallace McKee, of Pickering.

Dr. Karl R. Malotte, Chester Bennett and John Vert attended a meeting of th eOdd Fellows lodge at Wilcox. After the lodge, a supper was served.

Ed Johnson of Burlington Junction was a Maryville visitor today.

Dan Stundon of Arkoe is in Maryville today.

LIGHTS OF SHINAGAWA BAY

Physical Phenomena in Japanese Waters Said to Have Been Caused by Countless Animalculi.

Strange lights hover over the waters of Japan at various places. The burning spring that appears at intervals of several years in one of the land locked bays is a natural phenomenon that has attracted the attention of the scientific world. A new and curious spectacle made its appearance in Shinagawa bay recently, when a myriad of pale green lights shone in the placid waters and attracted thousands of spectators to the shore, East and West News states.

The savants of Japan are giving much attention to this curious freak of nature. One college professor likened the exhibition to the innumerable lights off the coast of Chikusen and Chikugo in Kyushu. The latter lights, however, are of a yellow-red, orange color, whereas those in Shinagawa bay were pale green.

Doctor Kishigami of the college of agriculture in the Tokyo imperial university collected a quantity of water from the bay. He has declared that the light is caused by countless animalculi. He describes these insects as gymnogyniums, belonging to the class Flagellata. Each measures one twelve-hundredth of an inch and has an alimentary canal. These insects must have been always present in the waters of that bay, but an excess of vegetable matter in the water so fattened and stimulated the animalculi that they became unusually luminous. The learned professor cites the appearance of the same phenomena at Hamburg in 1830, since which time no record exists of its recurrence until lately. The insects live at the bottom of the sea and come to the surface on rare occasions for oxygen.

Record Broken.

The total value of the mineral production of the country in 1916 was more than $3,470,000,000, increasing $1,076,200,000, or 45 per cent over the $2,393,800,000 recorded for 1915, and exceeding the former record year (1913) by more than $1,000,000,000, according to the geological survey, department of the interior.

OLD PAPERS for sale at this office.

To All War Savers

Many people who have lately given their pledge to buy *WAR SAVING STAMPS* are under the impression these stamps will be delivered to them by the Committee—Such is not the case.

THE TORCH OF LIBERTY

W.S.S.

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

However, War Stamps Will be Delivered to You by Your Postman,

But You Must Tell Him The Amount You Will Take.

Don't think that the solicitors will not get the proper credit. They already have. But the committee will be compelled to call upon you if you don't buy yours immediately (we refer to your cash pledge only).

Can You Afford to Lose This War?
Have You Handed in Your Pledge?
You Who Have Not Enlisted in the "Army of Savers" Don't Wait to be Solicited

Farmers Buy War Stamps of Your Mail Carriers.
Buy Today of Your Merchants Who Supports This Campaign

Alderman-Yehle D. G. Co.
Maryville Furn. Co.
Townsend Wholesale Gro. Co.
D. R. Eversole & Son
Bee Hive Shoe Store
Montgomery Shoe Co.
H. L. Haines
Schumacher Grocery Co.
Price & McNeal
Maryville Feed & Milling Co.
G. R. Ellison
First National Bank
Farmers Trust Co.
Nodaway Valley Bank
Real Estate Bank
Maryville Drug Co.
Garrett Hardware Co.
Maryville Publishing Co. (Democrat-Forum)
J. F. Hull (Tribune)
W. M. Wallis, Jr., until called for service.
Chas. T. Bell
P. O. Landon
Maryville Elec. Lt. & Pr. Co.
Hanamo Telephone Co.
Kuchs Bros.
Graham-Latimer Co.
F. P. Reuillard
F. W. Crow
N. Y. Candy Kitchen
Holmes Jewelry Co.
J. C. Kessler
Wadley Bros.
Hudson & Welch
Murphy Clothing Co.
Orear-Henry Drug Co.
R. S. Braniger
L. S. Byers
Corwin-Murrin Clothing Co.

Fololwing is a list of additional sales stations where stamps may be purchased:

Maryville High School
State Normal School
Wabash and Burlington Depots
Red Cross Auxiliaries
Adams and Wells Fargo Express Offices

THE SISSON LOAN & TITLE CO.

MARYVILLE, MISSOURI

Real Estate, Loans and Insurance

Counting Rooms Over Nodaway Valley Bank
Best Terms Ever Offered—See Us.